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PHILIPPINES WATCHING HAINAN MOVES

Manila, To-day.

Hainan developments are arousing speculation in American and Filipino quarters here.

There is general agreement with the argument of Chiang Kai-shek that the occupation of the island is of no strategic importance whatever in connection with the prosecution of the war against China.

Therefore, it is argued, the seizure of the island must be held to be actuated by other motives. There is disposition in American naval quarters to view the event as Japan's reply to the Guam fortification announcement and as a "warning" encirclement of the Philippines.

It is expected here that France and Britain will be content with Japanese assurances for the time being, but will watch Japanese activities on Hainan with the closest attention. — Our Own Correspondent.

GUERRILLA RAID IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

Chinese guerrillas, who have been a serious menace in the vicinity of Shanghai for some time past, yesterday, entered the Japanese controlled area beside the International Settlement and killed two Koreans and a Chinese who had entered Japanese services.

The raiders distributed pamphlets inciting the populace to active resistance to the Japanese. They disappeared before the police could take action.

Agents of Chinese irregulars, in the meantime, dropped similar pamphlets from the roof of a Chinese department store on Nanjing Road. — Trans-Ocean.

Semi-Official Paper's Comment Causes Stir

Paris, To-day.

Considerable stir has been created in political circles in the French capital by the semi-official "Le Temps" leading article of yesterday evening, which again warns Italy that France and Britain will see themselves obliged "to acquire pawns" unless Italy keeps the pledges entered into with respect to the Mediterranean when it appended its signature to the Anglo-Italian agreement.

Political quarters in London, says "Le Temps", are making no attempt to conceal the fact that Italy's attitude is giving rise to anxieties. Italian foreign policy at the moment is directing political attention upon the guarantees and the assurances given by Mussolini to Mr. Chamberlain during his visit to Rome.

Italy is remained that, according to these assurances, it will seek, at the conclusion of the civil war, neither territorial advantages nor privileged position in Spain or Spanish possessions.

Any attempt of the Fascist power to contravene the spirit of these assurances, writes "Le Temps" will greatly complicate final solution of the Spanish question and compel France and Britain to adopt all requisite measures to safeguard their vital interests in the western Mediterranean and their imperial routes of communication. — Trans-Ocean.

CANNOT LEAVE JOBS WITHOUT PERMISSION

Berlin, To-day.

A decree issued by Field-Marshal Goering in his capacity as Commissar for the Four Year plan empowers the Minister of Labour to render the determination of an employment contract dependent on the consent of the local labour office.

The measure is prompted by the increasing shortage of labour and is intended to limit the fluctuation of labour. — Trans-Ocean.

— NO SPEECH BY IL DUCE

Rome, To-day. A report in the foreign press to the effect that the Duce will deliver an important foreign political statement on February 19 in Turin is described by authoritative Italian quarters as lacking foundation in fact. — Trans-Ocean.

FRANCO-GERMAN TRADE TALKS COMPLETED

Berlin, To-day.

The Franco-German trade negotiations which have been going on in Berlin for several weeks concluded yesterday evening.

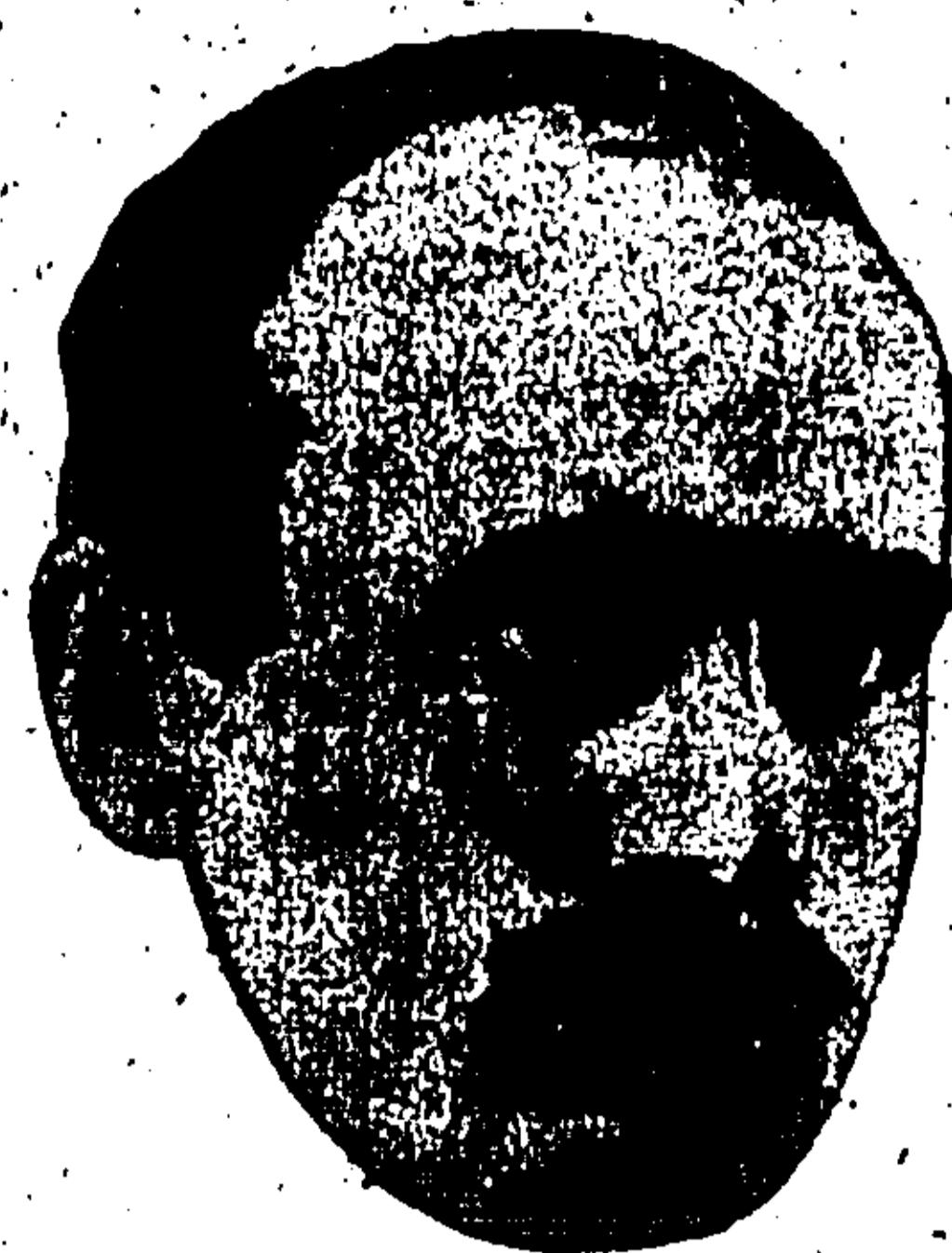
The official communiqué says that negotiations had to do with the carrying out of the agreement concluded between Germany and France on July 1, 1937, and were conducted in the spirit of reciprocity.

HAVE AN H.B.—



— AND THEN TRY!

March of a Dictator—3 by FRANK OWEN



Class hatred and revolution flamed in the eyes of Mussolini when he was a newspaper editor.

When Mussolini came out of the army he went back to his old profession of schoolmaster.

During 1906-7 he taught second grade scholars at Tolmezzo. The police supplied the prefect of that place with a secret dossier of him together with the caution "needs watching."

Mussolini lay doggo, apart from one outburst at an anti-clerical demonstration, a lapse which stirred up the local Church Party to ask "Why do the ratepayers pay this fellow to teach subversive politics?" Next year he moved to Oneglia, the Italian Riviera. The police record faithfully followed him.

Mussolini confesses that he knew very well that teaching did not suit him. The itch for journalism was on him. He contributed to the local Socialist weekly, lashing the Church under the pen name of "True Heretic."

In lay matters he divided his contempt between the "decadent and despotic ruling classes" and the "charlatans of parliamentary Socialism." Mussolini himself was for direct action the General Strike, the barricades. "Violence" is a word which echoes like a drum tattoo through all his writings.

After a year Mussolini returned to his native village. He found it in the throes of an agrarian upheaval. The day labourers were in revolt against the share-cropping petty farmers. Mussolini threw himself energetically into the struggle. He was gaoled for threatening a blackleg. On release he wrote an article, "To the flames with the law!"

Deported Again!

Mussolini was packing his bags for the Trentino, Italian province then in the hands of the Austrians. He had done with schoolmastering at last

and for ever. He had been appointed Secretary of the Trentino Socialist Party, editor of its newspaper.

Mussolini lived on thirty shillings a week, ate off a plate of beans. He wrote short stories, practised the violin, amplified, and fortified his vocabulary of abuse. When his comrades gave him a new hat and suit of clothes he crumpled them up in order not to look like a bourgeois.

The Socialist leader in Trentino was Cesare Battisti, a Red who clamoured for the Trentino to be returned to an Italian Socialist Republic. In the Great War Battisti served with the Italians, was captured by the Austrians and hanged as a traitor. "His noble and proud soul are always in my memory. His inspirations as a Socialist patriot called to me," wrote Mussolini after he had become a Fascist Dictator.

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Nevertheless, at this earlier period Mussolini was certainly still an internationalist. In his Autobiography he asserts that he was deported from Trentino because he wrote an article saying that the province belonged to Italy. He had been several times fined and gaoled for libels on the Church Party. Actually, he was finally put out by the Austrian Government because he was inciting to violence.

He returned to Forli. The Socialist world was at that moment in a state of uproar over the execution by the Spanish Government of Francesco Ferrer, the anarchist agitator, who had tried to launch an uprising in Barcelona. A large mob assembled to hear the denunciations. Mussolini was one of the orators of the evening. After the speeches the maddened mob smashed the windows of the Bishop's Palace, set fire to a wooden fence which surrounded a monument and tore up the marble steps.

Of these days Mussolini explains: "I understood now that the Gordian knot of Italian political life could only be undone by an act of violence. The time had come to shake the

souls of men and fire their minds to thinking and ACTING."

"Voice Of Dynamite"

Three years "back home" followed. The Romagna region seethed with revolt. Mussolini became the editor of the local Socialist rag, The Class Struggle.

He became also its manager, chief reporter and copy reader. Indeed, he became everybody except printer. He worked with demoniac energy and did not descend to "lifting" from other newspapers. "I write this paper," he proclaimed with customary arrogance, "and I do it with my pen, not with my scissors." He drove up the circulation.

Constantly Mussolini formulated the doctrine that Force alone could be the midwife at the rebirth of society on Socialist lines. Ecstatically he praised "the voice of dynamite."

He did not look for a mass movement — Mussolini has consistently despised democracy—but for a small, resolute disciplined body which should take the initiative to seize power and drag the rest of the nation behind it. In fact, he had Lenin's idea, so daringly executed in Russia in 1917 when a handful of Bolsheviks in one night snatched control of 150 million people.

Next to his native vigour and audacity, Mussolini's frankness earned him popularity. Nobody doubted his sincerity or his devotion. Proudly, and indeed truthfully, the Fascist leader can write: "In politics I have never gained a penny. I detest those who live like parasites sucking away at the edges of social struggle. I hate men who grow rich in politics."

When the Executive Council of the Socialist Federation in the Romagna proposed to raise his salary from thirty shillings to two pounds Mussolini flatly refused the increase.

Meantime he induced the Italian Socialist Congress to declare that (i) no Italian Socialist could be a Freemason;

(ii) no Italian Socialist could tolerate the religious practices of church marriage, baptism, and communion, either for himself or in respect of his children. When Georges Sorel, the French philosopher and the apostle of syndicalism and of the final use by the workers of the industrial weapon of the General Strike, passed over to the Nationalist camp Mussolini assailed him with exceptional virulence as a posturing renegade.

In fact, Sorel merely foreshadowed on the philosophic plane exactly what Mussolini was to accomplish in practical politics—the merging of syndicalism with nationalism in the Corporate State. Sorel himself wrote, in 1912: "Our Mussolini is no ordinary Socialist. It is my belief that one day we shall see him at the head of a mighty legion, saluting the Italian flag with his sword."

Italy's Flag—A Rag!

Anti-nationalism was the keynote of Mussolini's Left Wing Socialism before the Great War. Angry he denied the very idea of "defending the Fatherland." What had the workers, the day-labourers, the proletarian unemployed of their own to defend? As for the King, he was a citizen who was "useless" by his very definition! Many people had dismissed their kings—when they did not safeguard themselves better by sending them to the guillotine!" He flamed, "THE NATIONAL FLAG IS A RAG TO BE PLANTED ON A DUNGHILL!"

The outbreak of the Turco-Italian War of 1911-12 in Tripoli gave him his God-sent opportunity. He had long threatened "In the event of war we will stir up insurrection! War at the frontier must be the signal for the General Strike, for civil war at home!"

The General Strike, in general, was not a great success, though this allegation assuredly cannot be sustained in respect of Forli, where Mussolini had charge! There, sabotage, riots

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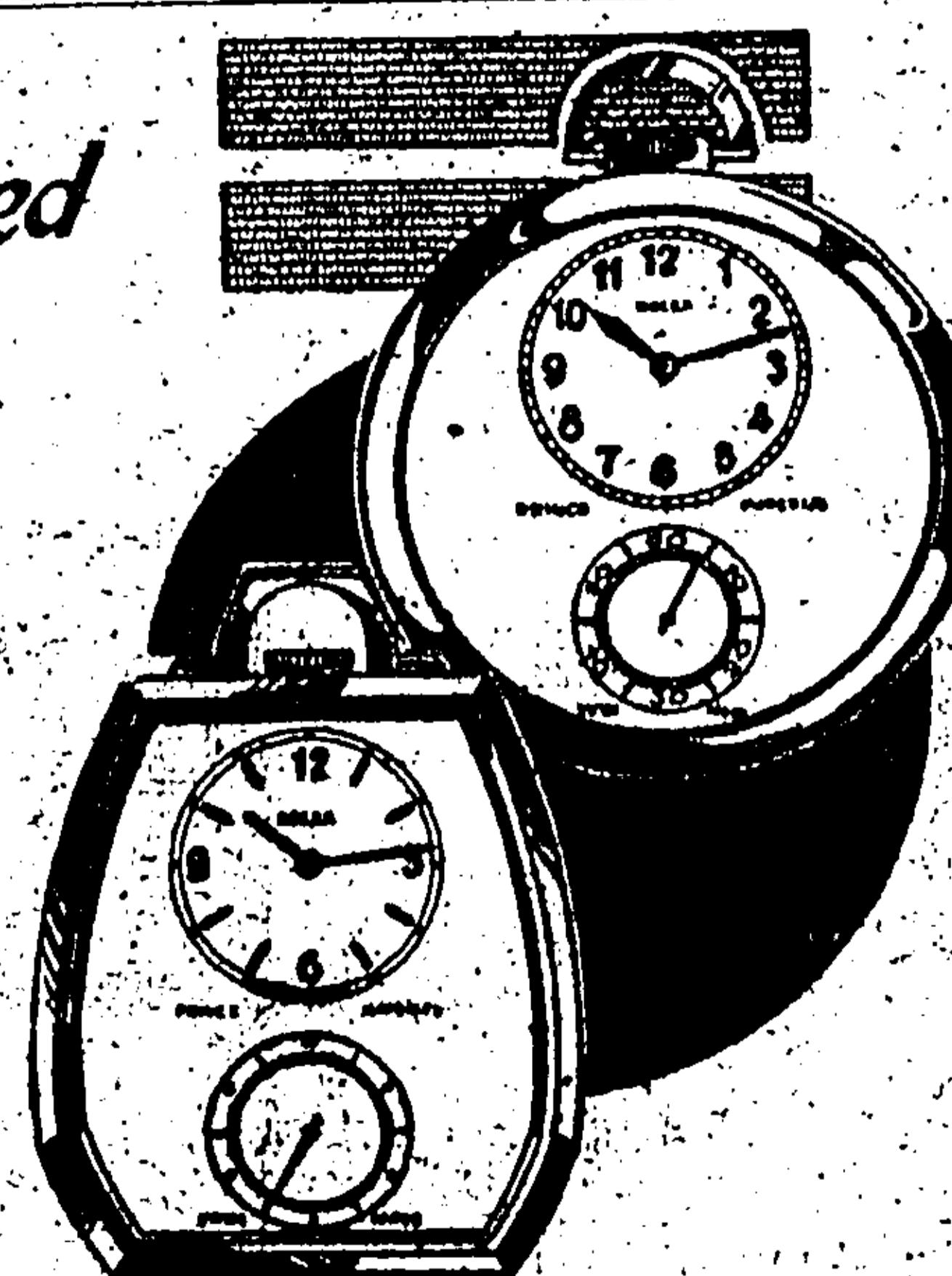
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WHO CHANGED AFFECTIONS**

RIVALRY OVER AN 18-YEAR-OLD GIRL WAS ALLEGED TO BE THE MOTIVE OF AN ASSAULT ON A CHINESE YOUTH, LEUNG YIM, WHO APPEARED TO GIVE EVIDENCE IN THE SUPREME COURT BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MacGREGOR, THIS MORNING WHEN CHAN MING WAS ACCUSED OF THE OFFENCE AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Accused was not legally represented, and entered a plea of not guilty. Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Crown.

The jury were Messrs. R. F. Sutherland (Foreman), A. Demee, H. Lueer, J. J. Alvaras, M. M. Assanassieff, A. V. Remedios and Loo Yuen Pok.

According to Mr. Prentis, the girl, Wong Sau-ying, lived with her adopted mother in Hollywood Road. A man, Ho Wah, also lived with them. The girl was very friendly with him. In October, Ho Wah left and the girl followed him. They went to the second floor of No. 9, Kweilin Street, Shamshui po, and lived there as man and wife.

The girl then met Leung Yim, complainant, in an opium divan and they went go out together. The girl was attracted to Leung and on October 17 she left Ho Wah and went and lived with Leung in Castle Peak Road.

The girl returned to Ho's place a number of times to get her clothing back, but Ho refused to return it. On October 26, Leung Yim, Wong Sau-ying and three other friends met Ho Wah, who invited them to the opium divan when he served them with tea. There it was suggested that the matter between Ho Wah and Leung Yim be settled by the girl who would choose which man she was willing to stay with. She chose Leung Wah.

Two nights later, Leung met Ho, who asked him for ten dollars. Leung said he had no money. Leung left the divan followed by accused, who was alleged to have acted on behalf of Ho Wah.

A quarrel was started and accused whipped out a knife and stabbed Leung in the chest. Besides Chan Ming, it was alleged, there were about eight other men.

Evidence was given by the girl, Leung Yim, Dr. Bee, of the Kow-

loon Hospital, after which accused entered the witness-box.

Accused claimed that he struck Leung Yim in self defence and that the affair had nothing to do with him.

Accused said he was asked by Leung whether he was acting on behalf of Ho Wah. Accused said No, but explained that he wanted to have the matter cleared up satisfactory as Ho Wah was his friend.

Leung Yim, alleged accused, set upon him and about eight other men joined in. Accused struck and kicked out in self-defence. One of the men dropped a knife. Accused picked it up and struck. The case is proceeding.

**DEATH OF VETERAN
JOURNALIST**

Mr. Hin Wong (Wong Hin Chiu), veteran Chinese newspaperman, educator ad charity worker, died early this morning in the Tung Wah Hospital. Death was due to cancer.

Mr. Wong was well known in Canton and Hong Kong, having served as correspondent for a number of foreign news agencies and local newspapers.

In 1929 he joined Yenching University, Peiping, as professor of journalism. Since then he had worked in Peiping, Tientsin, Shanghai and Chungking.

He is survived by his parents, wife, three sisters and seven children. The funeral services will be held to-morrow at three o'clock at the Pokfulam Road Christian Cemetery.

RADIO SUMMONS

Miss Yvonne Balagtas, of No. 6, Lock Road, was cautioned by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning when summoned for possessing a radio-set without a licence on January 17.

She stated that she bought the set, including licence, from the Tsang Fook Piano Company about three weeks prior to Mr. Key's visit, but no licence had yet been given to her by the Company.

A fine of \$75 was imposed on Kwong Chun, of Temple Street, for a similar offence.

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SWISS RECOGNITION OF FRANCO

Berne, To-day.

The Federal Council has decided to transform the present Swiss representation at Burgos into a Legation.

It will ask General Franco's Government for its consent to nomination of a Minister.—Reuter.

DUAL-PURPOSE HOLIDAY CAMPS FOR CHILDREN

London, To-day.

Reference to the Government scheme for 50 holiday camps which will be used to provide more than 150,000 schoolchildren with a fortnight in the country during the five best months of the year and will be available in a national emergency for evacuation of children from danger, was made by the President of the Board of Education in Plymouth yesterday.

Lord de la Warr said at such an addition to the education machine was a challenge to educationalists to ensure that the best use was made of it both for improving the health of children and for widening of their interest.—British Wireless.

FOUR CRUISERS TO JOIN U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET

Washington, To-day.

Four 10,000-ton cruisers—San Francisco, Quincy, Tuscaloosa and Houston—will join the new United States Atlantic Squadron in June on completion of goodwill visits to six South African cities.

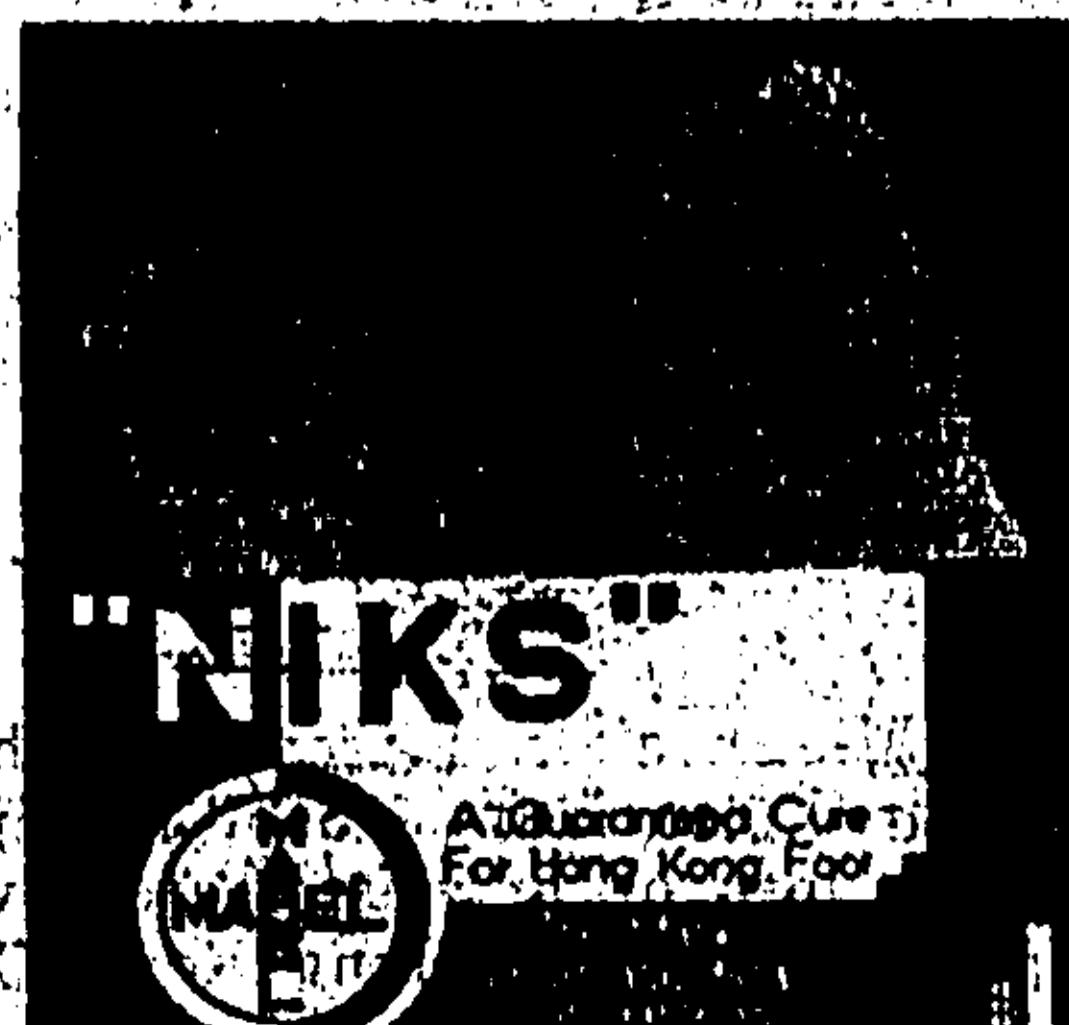
The Atlantic Squadron, which was created last year, now consists of four battleships, eight light cruisers, 17 destroyers and one supply ship.—Reuter.

M. PIRLOT ASKED TO FORM CABINET

Brussels, To-day.

King Leopold yesterday asked the Catholic Senator, Hubert Pirlot, to form the Cabinet.

Pirlot is a Walloon and was Home Minister from 1934 till 1935, and Agricultural Minister from 1936 till 1938 in the Cabinets of van Zeeland and Janssen.—Trans-Ocean.



NEW JAPANESE EMBARGO IN HANKOW

Shanghai, To-day.

A message from Hankow states that the Japanese authorities have again placed a strict embargo on foodstuffs entering the French concession of Hankow.

It will be recalled that the Japanese previously stopped food-stuff shipments into the French concession, and that this ban was lifted after the French and Japanese authorities had reached an agreement concerning the feeding of Chinese refugees within the French concession.

The new embargo is likely to result in a new dispute between the French and Japanese authorities.—Trans-Ocean.

DEATH SENTENCE ON LOYALIST JUDGE

Barcelona, To-day.

After a court martial lasting several days, the former chairman of the Republican emergency court in Barcelona Senor Eduardo Barriobero, was sentenced to death yesterday.

He was arrested 10 days ago in Barcelona and charged with the murder of numerous Nationalist Spaniards.

In the course of a further "purge" of Catalan territory, the chairman of the former people's court, Ventura Salazar has been arrested in Barcelona.—Trans-Ocean.

350,000 REFUGEES IN FRANCE

Paris, To-day.

An official French survey reveals that 350,000 Spanish refugees have entered France from Spain during the last three weeks.

Of this number, 50,000 went to National Spain at their own request, 150,000 were transported to the interior and scattered over various departments, while the remainder are in refugee camps along the frontier.—Trans-Ocean.

Paris, To-day.

A total of 200,000 Spanish militiamen have crossed into France.—Reuter.

PRINCE EDWARD RD. BURGLARY

Mr. H. C. Brown, of the Harbour Department, residing at No. 248, Prince Edward Road, has reported the theft of jewellery valued at \$1,140 from his residence between midnight on Monday and 9 a.m. yesterday.

ANGLO-DUTCH TALKS

London, To-day.

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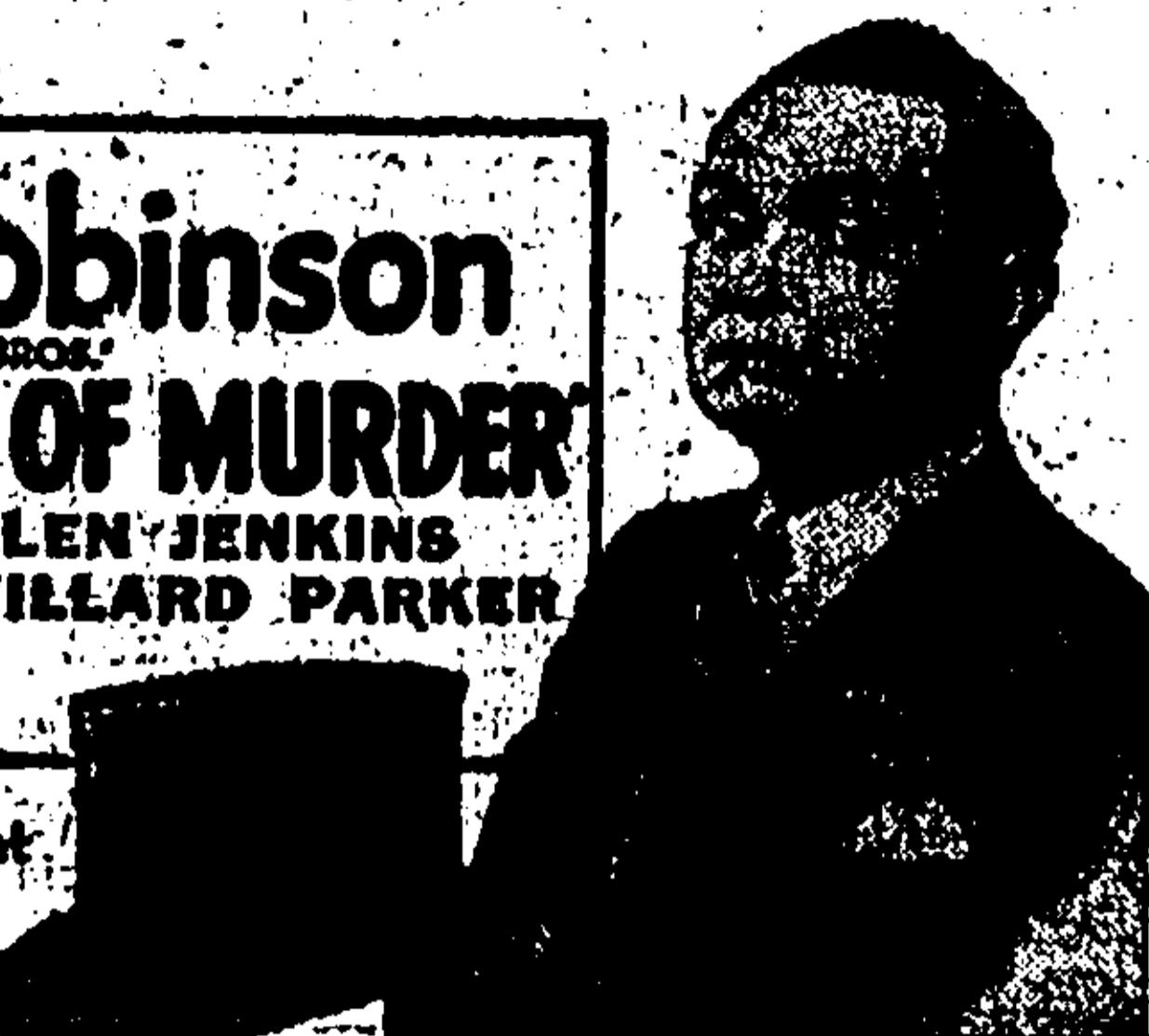
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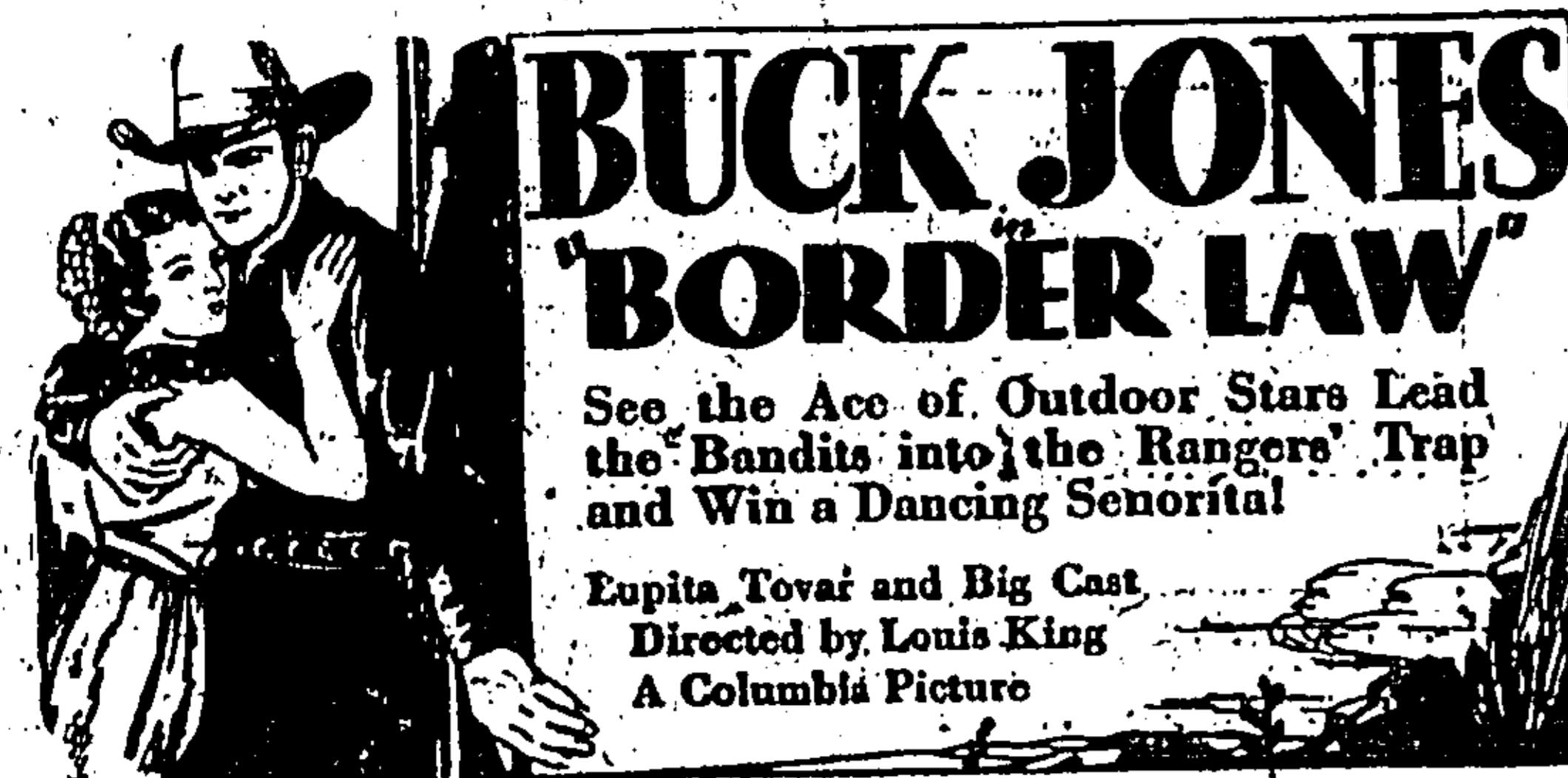
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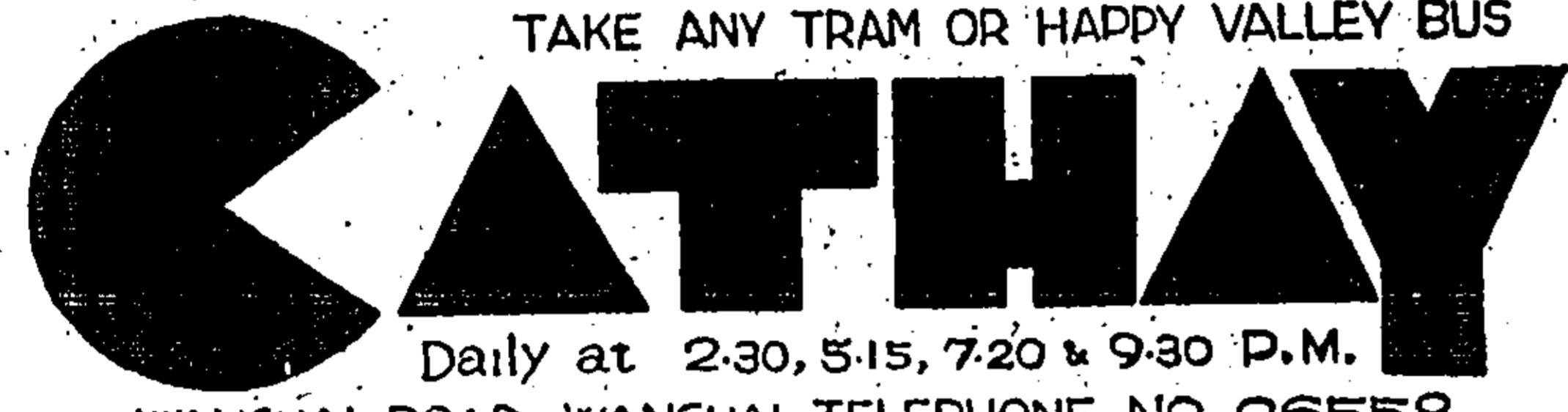
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BOMBAY TO BECOME 'DRY' CITY UNDER NEW PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION

Bombay, To-day.

Bombay city and suburbs will be declared a complete Prohibition area in August, announced the Finance Minister in Bombay's Legislative Assembly in the course of his Budget speech yesterday.

Englishmen, Americans and other Europeans will be permitted to drink under license for home consumption.

Prohibition will mean surrender of an annual revenue of 220 lakhs of rupees.

The Finance Minister disclosed his intention to raise this amount by the introduction of new measures, including a sales tax of one anna on a gallon of gasoline, an increase in the electricity tax and a reduction in salaries of all services including those under control of the Secretary of State.

Although Prohibition is still a few months away, it has created a sensation among Europeans, and is the sole topic of conversation in hotels and restaurants. — Reuter.

INVESTITURE BY THE KING

London, To-day.

The King held the first Investiture this year at Buckingham Palace yesterday when a number of persons who received honours at the New Year, were invested.

Among them were Sir Alexander Cadogan, Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs and former Ambassador in China, and Sir John Reith, former Chairman of the B.B.C. and now head of Imperial Airways. — Reuter.

HUNGARIAN

Premier resigns

Budapest, To-day.

Dr. Imredy has resigned the Premiership of Hungary. — Reuter.

Budapest, To-day.

The leader of the old Conservative group in Dr. Imredy's Cabinet, the Minister of Education, Count Paul Telecki, is generally regarded as the personage most likely to fill Dr. Imredy's place.

The domestic crisis which arose through the opposition of the old Conservative Party to the agrarian reform plans of the Government and the opposition of the Liberal Party to the Jew laws, became acute yesterday.

Count Telecki was received by the Regent and conferred with him for two hours.

Later on Telecki and the Premier had another conference with the Regent. — Trans-Ocean.

FLANDERS DISPUTE

Brussels, To-day.

The question of cultural autonomy for Flanders was discussed yesterday by Flemish Deputies belonging to the Social Democratic Party.

M. Huysmans, Speaker of the Belgian Chamber, was in the chair. — Trans-Ocean.

TAISANG ARRIVES FROM CHEFOO

The s.s. Taisang, one of Jardine Matheson's newest coastal steamers, arrived in port this morning, fresh from the recent incident with the Japanese Naval authorities at Chefoo, where she was detained for some hours.

Just as the Taisang was about to leave Chefoo, a Japanese naval launch came alongside, and a Japanese staff captain informed the master of the vessel (Capt. Balch) that the ship was not to leave port, under orders of the Japanese Naval Command.

Capt. Balch had no alternative but to postpone the vessel's departure and later in the day the same staff captain, accompanied by a senior officer of the Japanese Navy boarded the vessel and made Captain Balch swear that the Taisang was not a former China Merchant's vessel. When the assurance had been given, Capt. Balch was permitted to weigh anchor.

BIRTHDAY ISSUE OF MEIN KAMPF

Berlin, To-day.

On the 50th birthday of Herr Hitler on April 20, a jubilee edition of "Mein Kampf" will be issued by the Zentral Verlag.

This special edition, of which only a limited number of copies will be issued, will be bound in dark blue leather with rich gold lettering. — Trans-Ocean.

REVENUE COMING IN WELL

London, To-day.

Exchequer returns show total that ordinary-revenue amounts to \$734,643,977 against \$704,279,145 a year ago.

Total expenditure less self-balancing items is \$830,253,872 against \$745,982,822 a year ago. — British Wireless.

Miss Baker, Sister attached to the Queen Mary Hospital, reported the loss of a wrist watch, valued at \$100, at the Hong Kong Cricket Club, yesterday.

JAPANESE INCREASE FORCES IN SOUTH HAINAN

Now Striking Along East And West Coasts

Bombing Planes Break Chinese Resistance

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

Kwangchowwan, To-day. Following the successful landing at Sam-A, southernmost port on Hainan Island, early yesterday morning, the Japanese forces struck out in two directions—east and West. The column which proceeded eastwards on the highway along the coast reached Sintsun late last night, encountering slight resistance. The Chinese are withdrawing inland.

CHINESE RAID JAPANESE ARMY AERODROME

Shenchow, To-day. Nineteen Japanese grounded planes were destroyed and four others damaged when a squadron of Chinese planes raided the Japanese aerodrome at Yuncheng, in south Shansi.

A Japanese unit at Tsengchiayin near Yuncheng was also bombed by the Chinese planes.

Shasi, To-day. The Japanese aerodrome at Nanhu, in the outskirts of Wu-chang, was raided by Chinese guerillas on Sunday.

Several Japanese planes were set on fire.—Central News.

ANOTHER BORDER INCIDENT

Tokyo, To-day. A fresh incident has occurred on the Soviet-Russian Manchurian frontier, according to a despatch from Hsinking.

The Japanese version says that shots were fired by Soviet soldiers across the Argun river at a Japanese patrol when it was proceeding in the neighbourhood of Chilalin on Sunday.

A second incident of similar character occurred yesterday morning. They are regarded as an indication of the frontier tension.—Trans-Ocean.

CHUNGKING AIR SERVICES

Shanghai, To-day. Chinese reports state that negotiations are going on between the French, Soviet and Chinese authorities for inauguration of air lines connecting China with Russia and French Indo-China respectively.

The proposed Anglo-Chinese air-line connecting Chungking and Rangoon is expected to be formally inaugurated in the middle of March.—Trans-Ocean.

The units which advanced west were brought to a halt by determined Chinese resistance until the appearance of Japanese aircraft. The Chinese were then forced to retreat owing to the intense bombing.

The Japanese have not yet reached their objective, Yai City 20 miles west of Sam-A but, according to messages received here this morning, they expect to reach the town this afternoon.

The City of Yai is walled and it is expected that the Chinese will put up a stiff fight there.

Japanese troops are still being landed at Sam-A and about 3,000 are now in the area. — Our Own Correspondent.

MECHANISED UNITS LAND

Shiukwan, To-day. Japanese mechanised units are reported to have landed on Hainan to engage the guerilla force.

In the northwestern part of the island, the Japanese are meeting stiff resistance around Kamkong, southwest of Tsingmai.—Central News.

EUROPEANS FOUND DRINKING IN CHINESE CAFES

The Wah Yan Cafe, No. 183 Connaught Road Central, and the Palace Cafe No. 271 Des Vouex Road Central, were this morning fined \$200 each by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest when representatives admitted breach of their Chinese Restaurant licence by selling liquor to Europeans on February 4 at 2 a.m.

Inspector Hopkins said that he visited Wah Yan Cafe and found a number of Service men and civilians drinking.

In the second case, Inspector Hopkins said that he was approached by a "pimp" who asked if he wanted a drink. The man took him to the Palace Cafe, where a beer was ordered. In the cockpit were two sailors and two girls. All were drinking.

Wong Ma-fun, of No. 27, D'Aguilar Street, reported that his motor car was stolen outside the Peak Tram Station, between 8.40 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. yesterday.

GERMAN PURCHASE OF DRIED APPLES!

Montreal, To-day.

Germany is reported to have purchased the entire season's output of dried apples of the Canadian Maritime Provinces for immediate delivery. — Reuter.

FRANCE ORDERS MORE PLANES IN AMERICA

Washington, To-day.

France is reported to be placing a new order for 115 twin-engined bombers with a Baltimore firm.

Although no official confirmation of the order is forthcoming in Paris, reliable French observers believe the report to be correct.

The Paris newspaper "Intransigeant" says that the French mission signed the contract in Washington on Monday.

The paper adds that other orders will be given, including contracts for two-engined bombers and monoplanes for training purposes. — Reuter.

FRANCO'S NEW LAW TO STAMP OUT OPPOSITION

Burgos, To-day.

The text of the "new law concerning the political responsibilities during revolutionary period" was published.

The law defines the responsibilities of those political persons who by their acts contributed to the destruction of order during the period stretching from October 1, 1934 to July 18, 1936 and who since the latter date have taken an active part in the opposition to the Nationalist movement.

The law further declares all those political parties and groups to be illegal which after the elections of February 16, 1936 joined to form the Popular Front including the Separatists and Autonomist Catalan and Basque groups. The property of all such parties and groups will be confiscated by the State.

It is expressly said in the preamble that the object of the law is not to wreak revenge but to promote the work of reconstruction. It is not intended to inflict harsh penalties or to plunge families into distress. Only in the most serious cases will a sentence of deprivation of the Spanish nationality be pronounced.

Although all courts may in principle take cognisance of the offences under this law a special tribunal will be established in each region the task of which it will be to ensure the uniformity of application of law.

The law provides for a creation of a State Court as supreme appellate tribunal in cases of political responsibility. This court will be composed of representatives of the army judiciary and of the "Falange Traditionalista".

The following sentences may be passed on persons convicted under the new law:

- (1) exclusion from all public posts either for life or for a limited period,
- (2) banishment or imposition of other restrictions as to the domicile,
- (3) fine. — Trans-Ocean.

PREMIER REFUSES TO GIVE ASSURANCE

London, To-day.

The question of recognition of General Franco was again raised at House of Commons question time yesterday.

The Opposition leader asked the Prime Minister by private notice "whether in view of the important issues involved, any decision, conditional or otherwise, to recognise the Spanish insurgent authorities as the de facto or de jure government of Spain will be communicated to the House before any action is taken thereon with a view to early debate."

The Prime Minister replied:

"The Government will naturally communicate to the Houses at the earliest possible moment any decision at which they may arrive."

"I cannot give assurance that it will be possible for them to delay taking any action which may seem to them proper, but it is always within the power of House to express their opinion on the policy of the Government and should the Government reach any new decision I shall naturally be ready to afford facilities for debate." — British Wireless.

BRITISH TRADE FIGURES

London, To-day. Exports of United Kingdom goods in January were valued at £89,479,598 against £41,183,182 a year ago.

Imports were valued at £75,570,411 against £84,879,649 a year ago and re-exports at £4,595,968 and £4,901,414, respectively. — British Wireless.

London, To-day. The rubber quote for the second quarter of this year is unchanged at 50 per cent. — Reuter.

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PROGRAMME FOR VISIT OF PRESIDENT LEBRUN

London, To-day.

The programme for the visit of the President of the French Republic and Madame Lebrun to Britain, was issued yesterday.

They will arrive at Victoria Station on March 21 and will be met by the King and Queen. After driving in State to Buckingham Palace they will visit Queen Mary.

Engagements include a luncheon to the distinguished guests by the Lord Mayor and Corporation at the Guildhall, a reception by the London County Council, a gala performance at Covent Garden Opera House, a luncheon at Windsor Castle with Their Majesties, who will accompany them to a dinner at the Foreign Office, which will be followed by a Government reception and entertainment at the India Office.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain announced in the House of Commons yesterday that arrangements had been made for the French President and Mme. Lebrun to be received in Westminster Hall on March 23 in order that Members of Parliament might extend them a special welcome.—Reuter.

JAPANESE AIR BOMBINGS

Chungking, To-day.

In retaliation for the bombing of the Japanese airport, Yunchi in southern Shansi, the Japanese air force yesterday made a number of air raids on towns in north-western China.

Lanchow and Fingliang, 300 kilometres east of Lanchow, were twice flown by Japanese bombers, dropping more than 100 bombs, while other Japanese bombing squadrons raided several towns and villages along the Tungpu railway line.

Simultaneously, Japanese bombers attacked Pakhoi, as well as several railway stations of the Hankow line, and a number of Chinese trenches between Hankow and Ichang.

The Chinese claim the recapture of Yanglushin railway station, roughly 50 kilometres north-east of Yochow, and to have thus cut the Japanese front-line connection between Hankow and Yochow.—Trans-Ocean.

TRACK WRECKED

Loyang, To-day.

After the recapture of Yanglowsze, the Chinese destroyed the bridges and track on the Canton-Hankow Railway leading to Puchi and Linsiang, and tore down the telegraph wires.

No major development has taken place in central Hupeh, though Japanese reinforcements have been dispatched to Kingshan and Tsao-shih. An aerodrome has been constructed by the Japanese at Kingshan. — Central News.

EXTENSION OF SHEF. CATHEDRAL

London, To-day.

With ecclesiastical splendour and military ceremonial and in the presence of the Princess Royal, the Earl of Harewood and the Arch-

bishop of York, the first part of the Sheffield Cathedral extension scheme, costing £150,000, was yesterday hallowed and dedicated.—British Wireless.

FUNERAL OF POPE PIUS XI**SOMBRE RITUAL MARKS CEREMONY****BATAVIA — VOTE FOR DEFENCE**

Amsterdam, To-day.
A message from Batavia, Netherlands East Indies, says that the People's Council has passed a supplementary credit of £3,500,000 to reinforce the defences.—Reuter.

RUSHING FOOD SUPPLIES FOR BARCELONA

Barcelona, To-day.
Scores of motor-lorries with provisions are arriving in Barcelona from Nationalist Spain.

Ships loaded with grain, canned goods and meat are arriving also. It is expected that railway traffic, after the repair of the bridges blown up, will soon be resumed. Street life in Barcelona is becoming daily more normal. Queues before foodstores are diminishing and street cleaning is making progress.

The cinemas have re-opened and tramways are running again.—Trans-Ocean.

JOB IN GERMANY

Berlin, To-day.
The number of unemployed registered at the German Labour exchange fell in January by about one-third to 646,500.

The number of employed persons at the end of January totalled 19,500,000 in round figures, which was 1,400,000 more than at the corresponding period in 1938.

Of these 1,400,000, about one half were unemployed twelve months ago while balance consists mainly of women.—Trans-Ocean.

CHARGE AGAINST SHOPKEEPER

A shop-keeper, Wong Cheuk, of No. 58 Lower Lascar Row, was charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, with unlawful possession of 44406 catties of wild tree-wood.

Mr. D. MacCallum, who pleaded not guilty on behalf of defendant, said that although the tree-wood was in his client's possession, he did not know it was Government property.

Defendant produced a receipt and said he bought the wood from a dealer in Shumchun. He bought wood from him several times previously.

The case was adjourned until tomorrow.

Rome, To-day.
With sombre impressive ritual, yesterday afternoon Pope Pius XI was borne for the last time down the Nave of St. Peter's to the altar beneath the seat of St. Peter and thence to the tomb. The litter on which he lay clothed in full Pontifical vestments was carried by red-robed Sediarii, who in his lifetime bore him in the Gestatorial Chair.
Yesterday's ceremony was private, and only a chosen few witnessed the final passing of the well-beloved Pontiff.

The Papal Household, Cardinals, Diplomatic Corps, a few relatives, the choir, Swiss Guards and other officials comprised the small congregation.

For a short space the body of the Pope lay alone attended only by clergy kneeling and praying.

The last rites began at 3 o'clock, when to the tolling of the great bell the procession moved between double rows of Palatine Guards to the Chapel of the Choir beneath St. Peter's Throne.

IN CANDLELIGHT

All pressed forward to take a last look at the Pope's features before the body was lifted into the coffin, which was placed in a leaden casket the outer shell of which was of polished oak.

Lips moved in silent prayers as the seals were slowly fixed in flickering candlelight.

The Guards took up positions to prevent all but the authorised party from following the body down the marble steps to the crypt.

A derrick, simply constructed of wood and rope, lowered the coffin to its last resting place.—Reuter.

BASILICA CLOSED

Vatican City, To-day.

The burial of Pope Pius XI in the Crypt of St. Peter's took place yesterday afternoon after hundreds of thousands of persons had filled past the embalmed body reposing on the raised catafalque in the Chapel of the Sacrament for three days. The Basilica was closed yesterday at midday.

Amid the funeral chants of the choir of the Sixtine Chapel, the mortal remains of the deceased Pope were removed from the Chapel and placed under the huge cupola of St. Peters.

The Last Blessing was imparted by Cardinal Pacelli in front of the apse whereupon the body was placed in the coffin with traditional ceremonial.

BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

First the coffin, made of cypress wood, was covered with red satin. Monsignor Bacì read a biographical notice of the late Pope, in which the various canonisations and the reconciliation of Church and State in Italy were given as the outstanding events of his Pontificate.

The Pope's face was covered with white veil. A small metal box containing a list of the late Pope's most important achievements was then placed together with a copy of the biographical notice inside

MISTAKE OF 1922 NOT TO BE REPEATED

VATICAN CITY, TO-DAY.

IN PREPARING FOR THE CONCLAVE OF CARDINALS, AT WHICH THE NEW SUPREME PONTIFF IS TO BE ELECTED, ALL CARE IS TAKEN TO AVOID MISTAKES SUCH AS OCCURRED AT THE LAST CONCLAVE.

Then many Journalists, eager to transmit the news of the election immediately, misunderstood the name and it was reported that Cardinal Maffi had been elected.

The fact that Cardinal Schuster, Archbishop of Milan, arrived in Rome on the day of Entombment of the late Pope is taken here as sign that he may possibly be chose successor.

It is stressed that Cardinal Ratti, then also Archbishop of Milan, arrived in Rome in 1922 also on the day of Entombment of the then late Pope Benedict XV, just as Cardinal della Chiesa, who became Benedict XV, likewise arrived in Rome on the day of Entombment of his predecessor.

Once again, the world is tensely awaiting the name of the Pope, and the Vatican Authorities have decided to broadcast result of the election the as soon as the voting slips are thrown into the fire.

Cardinal Segura, Archbishop of Seville, and Cardinal della Costas, Archbishop of Florence, arrived in Rome yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

the coffin, past which all present then filed.

STATUE TO BE ERECTED

The coffin, having been closed and sealed, was remitted to the care of the Chapter of St. Peter's and lowered through a special opening in the floor into the Crypt where it was placed next to the tomb of Pius X. As in the case of all Popes buried in the Basilica a statue will later be erected therein to Pius XI.

An immense crowd filled the vast Piazza San Pietro during the burial ceremony which was broadcast.—Trans-Ocean.

SIR ROBERT HODGSON'S NEGOTIATIONS

Burgos, To-day.

Sir Robert Hodgson was received yesterday by Franco's Foreign Minister, General Jordana, to continue their exchange of viewpoints in connection with British efforts to come to some sort of understanding with the Franco Government, as a preliminary condition for establishing normal diplomatic relations between London and Burgos.

The conversations lasted a considerable time but trustworthy information regarding the results is not available.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCHMEN TO MAKE CAR TOUR IN CHINA

Two French officials, now in Hong Kong, are about to embark on an ambitious trip. It will take them from Haiphong to Chungking and thence to Rangoon via the overland (Burma Road) route, travelling all the way by a commercial truck, fitted with accommodation for two, and carrying enough petrol to make the journey between recognised stops.

The two Frenchmen are M. J. J. Forme-Becherat, Secretary to the French Commercial Attaché in Shanghai, and M. Marmorat, who arrived in Hong Kong this morning from Shanghai by the s.s. Tsiasang.

'ANOTHER MAN' CAUSES TROUBLE

Keung King-ching, 30, residing at No. 1166 Canton Road, was this morning charged at the Kowloon Magistracy with having, on February 14, attacked a woman, Yip Yuk-sim.

It was alleged that the woman had been living with defendant, but had threatened to leave him for another man. They had an argument which resulted in both appearing at the Police Station, where defendant promised to let the complainant go without trouble. After leaving the Station, complainant started to pack her belongings. Defendant again argued with her and in the course of the argument struck her with a wooden tub.

He was bound over on a \$10 bond to keep peace for one year, and also ordered to pay \$1 compensation.

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THE NEW MEMBER

Hungary's accession to the Anti-Comintern Pact, which has been officially announced in Berlin, will hardly excite the Chancelleries of Europe, but for all that it is an interesting development. This curious league began in November, 1936, with a pact between Germany and Japan for mutual "defence against Communism". Since both Germany and Japan had successfully exterminated Communism in their own countries this description was widely held to be nothing more than a poor excuse for interfering in other countries—an interpretation which has been justified by events. At the time the pact was signed it was stated to be open to all other countries who agreed with its aims. Poland, indeed, was invited to join, but refused. Herr von Ribbentrop, whose pet it is, made his next convert a year later, when Italy joined the pact, thus turning the two axes into the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo triangle. Italy, too, had nothing to fear from the Comintern, but since she was "fighting Bolshevism" in Spain the pact was convenient. In 1937 Japan, not to be outdone, began "fighting Bolshevism" in China. So far, indeed, the Anti-Comintern Pact has worked best when directed against the British Empire, and it is noteworthy that on the only occasion when one of the partners, Japan, might conceivably have been described as "fighting Communism" in reality (at Changkufeng) the other two partners showed no eagerness to help.

But Herr von Ribbentrop's proselytising activities were not ended. The next countries on his

list were Poland (who is said to have refused again), Portugal, and Hungary. There was a hint last autumn that Hungary would be the first to fall when Japan initialised a "cultural agreement" with her at Budapest on November 16. This agreement has not yet been ratified, but Japan has signed a similar "cultural agreement" with Germany, and hopes for one with Italy also. Hungary's membership of the pact will mean less in the international field than internally. It means, of course, that she sides with the Fascist Powers against the democracies, and with the revisionist Powers against the satisfied Powers, but her weight can hardly make much difference in this respect. More important, it means a further increase of German influence in Hungary. This influence is by no means popular among all Hungarians, and the Government, which is already facing keen opposition, is likely to be severely criticised for this new act of surrender; but German influence in Hungary is already so powerful that her pressure may be difficult to resist. No doubt the Government hopes that in return the senior partners of the pact will champion her revisionist demands in Rumania and Yugo-Slavia, though Germany has so far shown little sympathy with her claims in Ruthenia. As an anti-Comintern Power Hungary may be expected to appreciate the need for "an independent Ukraine."

A Martyrdom

Dr. Niemoller has spent his forty-seventh birthday in the concentration camp at Sachsenhausen, where he was taken by the German secret police last March after the German judges had set him free. An unnamed preacher at a service of intercession in Dahlem on Saturday said that "if Pastor Niemoller has been much braver than others, this courage is now 'broken by loneliness.' The rigours of his imprisonment have increased and his health is failing. He has been forbidden to write or receive letters; he is in the strictest solitary confinement, so that his wife and friends who used to visit him at rare intervals can see him no more. We in this country can do nothing to obtain his freedom, but it would be his wish that we do not let the thought of his stand fade from our minds. His being in prison symbolises the whole struggle of the Churches in Germany for the right to make the principles of the religion which they hold their first observance. As he said in his last sermon before arrest:

We have no more thought of using our own powers to escape the arm of the authorities than had the Apostles of old. No more are we ready to keep silence at man's behest, when God commands us to speak. For it is and must remain the case that we must obey God rather than man.

It is important that we do not, in the press of interests to-day, forget Dr. Niemoller and the other imprisoned pastors any more than Herr Schuschnigg and the multitude of men who suffer in camps because they believed in something strongly and cannot deny it at the will of politicians. Their only effect on the world now lies in our minds for they can no longer preach their different gospels in words but only in their suffering.

Eighteen-Year-Old Girl In I.R.A. Case At Bow Street LEAVES COURT IN TEARS WHEN REMANDED

London, To-day.
Bow Street police court was again heavily guarded yesterday when 19 men and an 18-year-old girl were charged under the Explosives Act. The arrests had been made at Cardiff, Liverpool, Manchester and London, and it was the first occasion on which they had all appeared together in the case which is alleged to involve a widespread plot by the Irish Republican Army.

SHIP AGAIN QUARANTINED FOR SMALLPOX

Williams Heads (B.C.),

To-day.
The British motorship Queen Victoria is an unlucky ship as far as disease is concerned.

When she arrived in Victoria from Shanghai last week she was placed in quarantine and the entire crew isolated following the death of the boatswain from smallpox.

The ship was finally released when it was believed she was free from the disease.

Yesterday, however, the vessel was again placed in quarantine following discovery of another suspected smallpox case among the crew.

The Queen Victoria is a 4,937-ton vessel owned by the Queen Line of London. — Reuter.

EXCITING AIR INCIDENT OVER CROYDON

London, To-day.

The skill and coolness of a British Airways pilot saved the lives of seven passengers and crew of a Lockheed-14 air liner yesterday afternoon.

Preparing to land at Croydon, the pilot, Captain J. E. D. Scott, found the retractable undercarriage was jammed. Ambulances and fire engines gathered on the landing ground.

The liner, which had left Paris at lunchtime, circled the airport for over two hours while the crew worked at the undercarriage, but it was only half extended when, the petrol reserve being nearly exhausted, the pilot decided to land.

With the wheels in this position he brought the machine to the ground successfully without injury to any of the passengers and only slight damage to the airliner itself. — British Wireless.

Maps of Essex, London and greater Birmingham, and a plan of the north-east suburbs of London, as well as a pencil sketch of Chequers (the Prime Minister's country residence) were mentioned at yesterday's hearing.

The girl, Molly Gallagher, who is charged with possessing explosive powder, left the court in tears when remanded, the Public Prosecutor saying he did not intend to join her with any of the others in the general charge of conspiracy. Defendants were remanded in custody till Thursday. — Reuter.

LORDS APPROVE EXPORT GUARANTEE BILL

London, To-day.

The House of Lords yesterday passed the second reading of the Export Guarantees Bill.

Lord Mancroft, supporting the Bill, after referring to the millions of British capital invested in Mexico and South Africa and not paying dividends, alluded to China, which he said wished and tried to be honest.

Lord Mancroft said that when the present struggle in the Far East was over, China would require to be re-equipped.

It would be difficult for her to raise the money, but we would help with export credits, but £75,000,000 was not nearly enough provision. — Reuter.

CANADA TAKES STEPS FOR SAFETY OF KING AND QUEEN

New York, Feb. 7.

The New York Times reported this morning from Ottawa that the Canadian Government are to take every precaution to insure the security of the British Sovereigns upon their forthcoming visit to Canada.

Bullet-proof motor-cars will be constructed and placed at Their Majesties' disposal.

Furthermore, Canadian war veterans will collaborate with the police in maintaining order during their Majesties' trip to the Pacific.

Finally, the immigration lists into Canada will be modified until the departure of the King and Queen from Canada. — Hava.

AMBASSADOR REVEALS NEW U.S. POLICY

Paris, Feb. 8.

Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet to-day received Mr. William C. Bullitt, U.S. Ambassador, upon the latter's return from a visit to Washington.

The development of the United States' foreign policy was the chief subject discussed at the meeting.—Hava.

U.S. INVITED TO LEGISLATE FOR 'THE WORST'

WASHINGTON, To-day.

OPENING THE DEBATE ON THE DEFENCE PROGRAMME, REPRESENTATIVE ANDREW MAY, CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE MILITARY COMMITTEE, WARNED THE HOUSE THAT THE TIME WAS NOT FAR DISTANT WHEN AN INVASION OF THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE POSSIBLE.

Indicating that America might be "caught napping," if she procrastinated in strengthening her defence, he said that if France and England should fall, they "will inevitably fall to the dictatorships," who would then be able to mobilise their army, navy and air forces and would probably be able to establish air bases in the Western Hemisphere. — Reuter.

SHANGHAI INCIDENT

Chungking, To-day.

A new incident occurred near Brennan Road in the extra-settlement area in Shanghai yesterday afternoon.

The incident arose when the proprietor of a gambling house tried to drive away a large number of wheel-barrows in front of the gate. The barrow coolies clashed with employees of the gambling house.

Two Chinese policemen who intervened, were manhandled by employees of the gambling house, when they tried to arrest two of them. They fired volleys to disperse them.

The Japanese Gendarmerie Headquarters take a serious view of the incident. They have picked up the cartridges and are preparing to lodge a protest with the Shanghai Municipal Council. — Central News.

TERRITORIALS SET UP A RECORD

London, To-day.

Returns for Territorial Army recruiting in January constitute another record.

During the month 4,492 joined, this being the greatest number of any January since the Great War.

The figures, moreover, do not yet show the effect of the National Service campaign. — British Wireless.

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Government Decides To Print MacMahon Correspondence

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London, To-day.

The Arab delegation to the Palestine Conference, including Raghéb Bey, met Mr. Malcolm Macdonald (Colonies Secretary) and Mr. R. A. Butler (Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs) yesterday.

At the meeting Emir Feisal made a statement on matters arising from the correspondence between Sir Henry MacMahon (who was British High Commissioner in Egypt) and Sheik Hessein in 1915, on which the Arabs base their claim for independence.

This correspondence has never officially been published.

Reuter learns that the Jewish reaction to this claim is likely to be that independence has already been achieved in large areas of the Arab world, notably Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Yemen, and partially in Astoria and Trans-Jordan.

The Jews will maintain that the promises of Arab independence made during the Great War deliberately excluded Palestine.

ARAB CLAIM REFUTED

The Jews also flatly deny the Arab claim that Jewish immigration has ousted the Arabs from

commercial opportunities, and contend that Jewish industries have increased Arab opportunities and have raised the standard of living.

Meanwhile the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the MacMahon Correspondence would be issued as soon as possible.

PUBLIC INTEREST

Hitherto successive British Governments have refused to publish the correspondence, on the grounds that it was against the public interest to do so.

The Palestine Arabs have always maintained that a pledge of Arab independence is contained in the letters.—Reuter.

MR. MACDONALD CARRIES ON TALKS WITH JEWS

London, To-day.

Mr. Malcolm Macdonald (Colonies Secretary) and Mr. R. A. Butler (Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs) yesterday afternoon continued the talks with Jewish delegates to the Palestine Conference.

The meeting lasted two and a half hours and adjourned until this evening.

It is understood in Conference circles that conversations on general principles are now ending, and that from to-day the delegations will get down to details which will be discussed by small negotiating committees appointed by the two sides. — Reuter.

ARAB LEADERS AT NO. 10

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, who was accompanied by Lord Halifax (Foreign Secretary) and Mr. Malcolm Macdonald (Colonial Secretary) yesterday received at 10 Downing Street a number of Arab representatives at the Palestine conferences. — British Wireless.

PALESTINE FARM ATTACKED

Haifa, To-day.

The Government stud farm at Acre was fired on yesterday morning.

Two Jewish farm workers were wounded and the condition of one of the men is serious.—Reuter.



To the Western visitor to Chinatown, in New York, the odd hand-written Chinese characters pasted on the walls mean nothing. To the Chinese men and women who live in this section they mean sorrow. These quiet little men and women read about the havoc of war—but with characteristic Oriental coolness they read silently and pass on their way. Photo shows inhabitants of Chinatown, New York, reading the latest war bulletins, hand-written on rice paper.

SENATOR BERARD CAWNPORE TO MAKE NEW SITUATION TRIP TO BURGOS IMPROVING

Cawnpore, To-day.

The situation shows considerable improvement as a consequence of the imposition of curfew following the communal riots.

Men of the South Staffordshire Regiment, however, continue to patrol the most dangerous areas.

The humanitarian work of British civilians, who have rescued several marooned families from the danger zone, has elicited high praise from the Indian population. — Reuter.

MAJOR ASTOR RE-ELECTED EPU CHAIRMAN

London, To-day.

Major Astor, owner of "The Times," was re-elected President of the Empire Press Union on the motion of Sir Roderick Jones, Chairman of Reuter's, at the Union's annual meeting yesterday.

Major Astor, referring to the forthcoming activities of the Union, pointed out that this year's annual conference in Jilie would provide a more ambitious programme than of recent years.

The conference would discuss the relationship between governments and the Press.—Reuter.

DEATH OF LT. GEN. HAMILTON GORDON

LONDON, TO-DAY.
THE DEATH OCCURRED YESTERDAY OF LT.-GEN. SIR ALEXANDER HAMILTON GORDON AT THE AGE OF 80.

Lt.-Gen. Gordon served in the Afghan campaign, South Africa, India, and was in command of the IX Army Corps from 1916 to 1918. He retired from the Army in 1920.—Reuter.

Two women, Wu Ng and Tsang Ying, and a man, Kwong Lai-kuen, were this morning committed to trial at the next Criminal Sessions by Mr. E. Hinsworth when charged with keeping a heroin divan at No. 242, Haif Tan Street, and with possession of 9,885 heroin pills.

News Snack Bar

CUPID HAS THE LAST LAUGH ON THEM ALL

The two families who swap names at the altar . . . the girls who wouldn't marry a "Bill" . . . the brides who don't change their names . . . they all make "Love News" to-day.

The families of Mrs. Gorst and Mrs. Kelsall, of Preston (Lancs.), think that love must be catching . . . for ever since the three sons and a daughter born to Mrs. Kelsall knew that there was a Mrs. Gorst, with three daughters and a son, they've been doing nothing else but courting, proposing marriage, and changing the names of the Gorst daughters to Kelsall.

FRANK AND JOSEPH KELSALL

Frank and Joseph Kelsall began it all by marrying Mary and Nan Gorst. Ever since the two families have been playing "home" and "away" visits with each other when wedding time came round.

Every time the name Kelsall appeared on a wedding register, the local registrar knew, without looking, that the opposite number would be Gorst.

Brother Henry Gorst decided that it wasn't to be left all to the Kelsalls for the privilege of changing a name, and, marrying Mary Kelsall, made her a Mrs. Gorst.

Now, to complete it all, the last remaining couple, Robert Kelsall and Alice Gorst, have married in the little Methodist Chapel at Calder Vale, a village near Preston.

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RENAME THEIR BILLS

The girls who wouldn't marry Bills . . . Mrs. Kelly's mother and two aunts. When they were girls, each vowed she would never marry a William, because someone would be bound to call him Bill.

But they reckoned without capricious Cupid. In course of time they each married a William—and side-stepped their pet aversion by calling them Freddie, Billie, and Bert.

And the brides who don't change their names . . . the Lyfords, of Sandhurst (Berks). Daughter, Mrs. S. Lyford, of Heath View, Sandhurst, married a Mr. Lyford—mainly name of her mother.

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MEN OF THE ROAD HIT BACK

Sixty lorries were driven through fog and along icy roads in a protest procession at Chesterfield (Derbyshire) road transport's reply to the railways' "square deal" demand. As the mile-long procession toured the district a loud-speaker addressed people gathered to watch.

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One of the Knights on motorcycles who were seen at Crystal Palace during a trick-riding display.

MOONEY WILL VISIT

BRITAIN

Tom Mooney, San Francisco Labour leader, who was released after being twenty-two years in San Quentin Prison, California, wants to come to Britain.

In a message to Mr. Fenner Brockway, general secretary of the Independent Labour Party, he says that he wants first to agitate for the release of his fellow prisoner, Warren K. Billings, and to carry on work in the U.S. for the union of the working classes.

Mooney's visit to England will probably not be before the late spring or early summer.

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CAME 7,000 MILES TO SEE SON

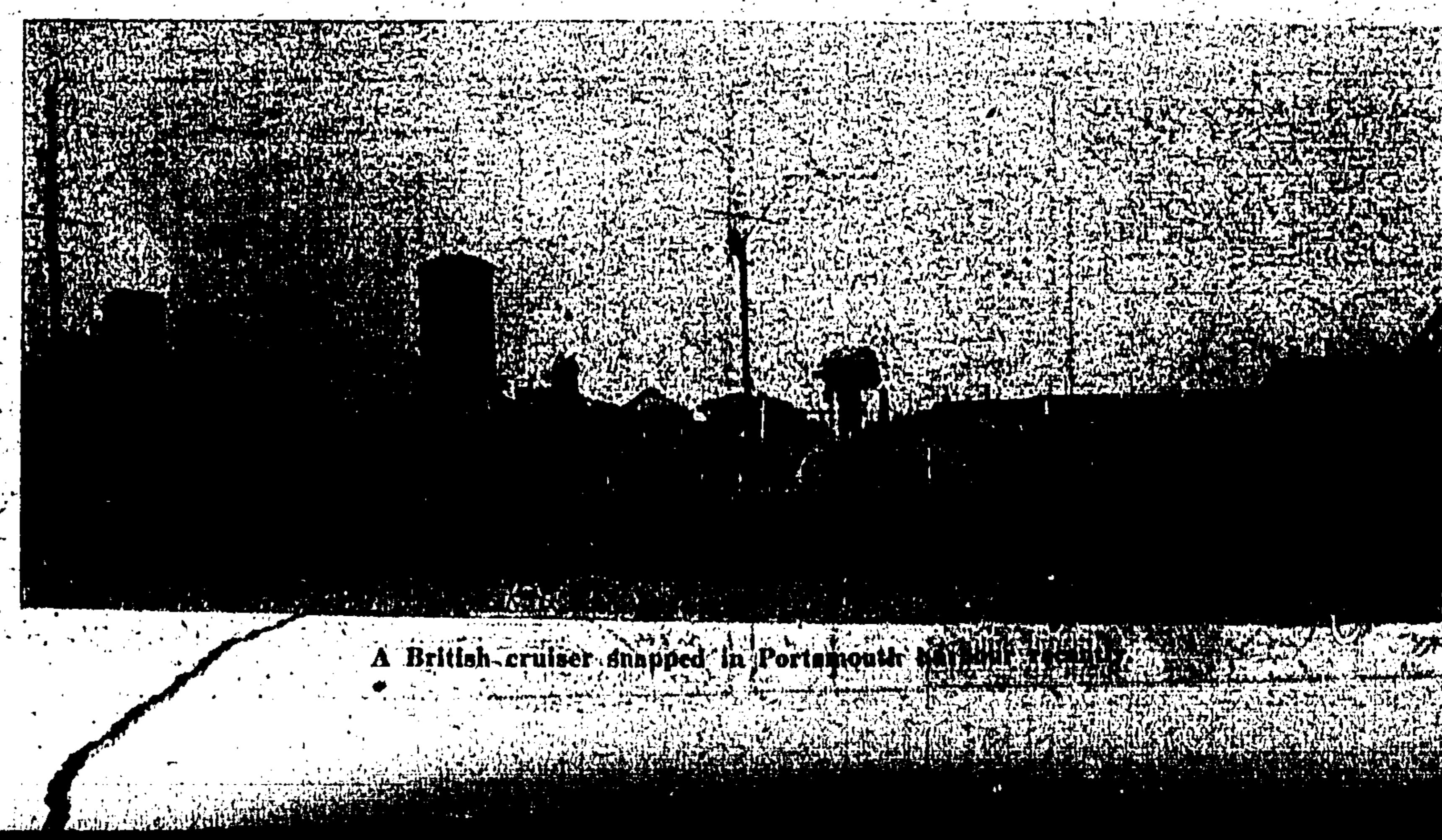
Mother and son were reunited at South Church, Co. Durham, after an interval of twenty years. Mrs. Lily Jones, sixty-one, who has spent nearly all her life in South Africa, travelled 7,000 miles to meet her son, Police-Constable A. D. Jones, who is forty. Mrs. Jones had not been in England since the war.

NURSES HAIR WAVES

Glasgow nurses will soon be able to have their hair waved in hospital.

The Corporation, says the "Hair-dresser and Beauty Trade" journal, have fitted up one of the rooms in a city hospital for the purpose.

A hairdressing service will be given to the staff for two young women.



A British cruiser snared in Portsmouth

LAID THE 'GHOST'

A "ghost" has been laid at Whetstone, Leicestershire.

Strange noises and tapping from the roof of a row of cottages caused uneasiness.

Mr. J. F. Brookes, unemployed motor-driver, who lives in the row, decided to investigate.

Climbing through a bedroom ceiling he crawled about under the slates and found a black cat lying exhausted.

The cat was too weak to move. It is believed that the animal, made its ways under the roof when re-slating was being carried out after a gale nearly a month ago.

PRINCIPAL FOR UGANDA COLLEGE

The Colonial Secretary announces the appointment of Mr. George Charlewood Turner as principal of Makerere College, Uganda.

The college is designed to provide advanced education for Africans mainly from Uganda, Kenya, Tanganyika and Zanzibar, and is intended to attain full University status within a reasonable time.

ATLANTIC POSTMAN WAS SEAMAN AT 11

Owner of a seaman's discharge certificate when he was only eleven, a hefty Irishman, still in his early thirties, will probably pilot the first flying-boat of the experimental air mail service across the North Atlantic this summer.

He is Captain J. C. Kelly Rogers, son of a well-known Dublin master mariner.

Imperial Airways has announced his appointment to the command of the new trans-atlantic flying-boat, Cabot.

Three of the Cabot's sister boats have been launched.

They are all equipped for refuelling in mid-air, and the Air Ministry is providing three tanker-planes—converted Harrow bombers—for this service.

As a boy, Captain Rogers was permitted to spend his school holiday aboard his father's troopship in 1916 as captain's orderly and was properly signed on as a member of the crew.

He joined the Royal Air Force in 1927, with 1,000 flying hours to his credit, and was employed for some years as a flying-boat instructor at the R.A.F. Training Base, Calshot. He joined Imperial Airways in 1937.

WON HIS FORTIETH BARDIC CHAIR

Mr. T. E. Nicholas, an Aberystwyth dentist and Welsh poet, won his fortieth bardic chair at the Merioneth Eisteddfod with an ode "At the Dawn." He has been awarded four bardic chairs this year.

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SOVIET RETURNS

POLISH CHURCH

The Soviet is returning to Polish Catholics their Church of St. Peter and Paul in Moscow. The church has been used by the Soviet authorities for two years as a workers' club.

MINERS ASLEEP IN THE DEEP

Frank Henley and David James, miners, both of Thomas-street, Gilfach Goch, were fined 10s. each at Bridgend, Glam., for sleeping in the Wern Tarw colliery, Pencoed. The manager at the colliery said he found the men asleep with a sheet of tarpaulin placed across an airway to protect them from the draught. He had to shout several times before the men awoke.

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COFFIN HIS BED

FOR FORTY YEARS

Every night for forty years Mate Chavka, of Livno, Bosnia, eighty-year-old veteran of wars against the Turks, has gone to bed in his coffin. Covered only by a winding sheet, according to Reuter, he sleeps with a scimitar in his hand, a flint pistol under his pillow and a rifle by his side.



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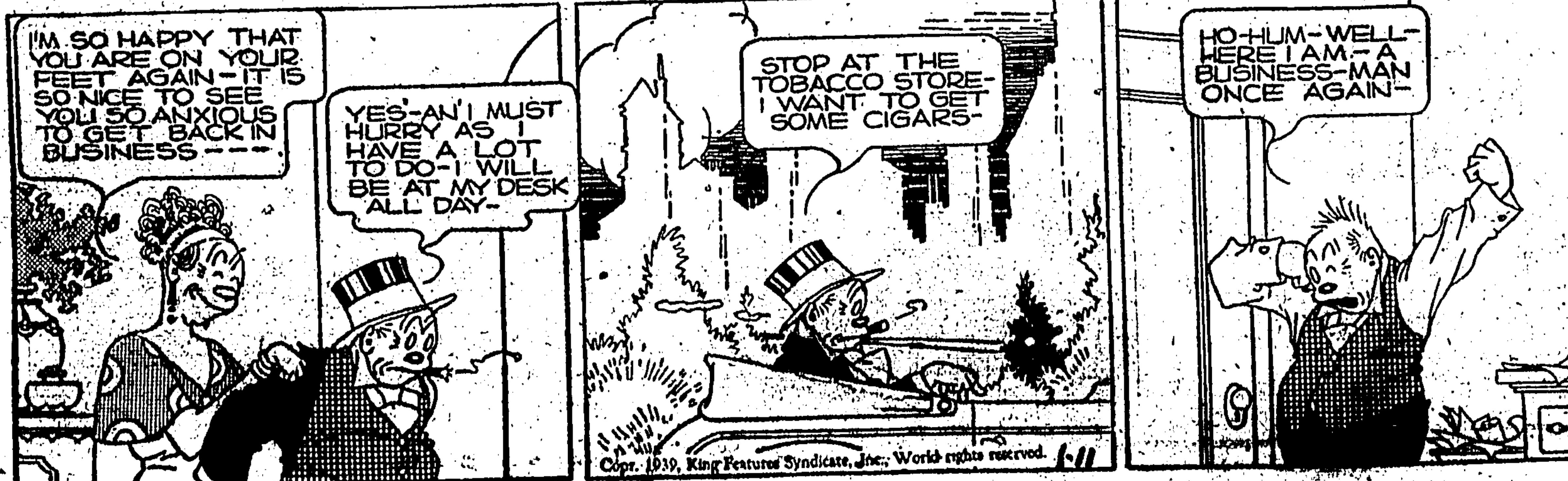
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WIDOW LOOKS BACK 50 YEARS AGO

(By A Special Correspondent)

A stately, 74-years-old woman who was once the bride of the heir to the ancient throne of Austria, will recall her life's most tragic memory this week.

She is the former Princess Stephanie of Belgium. It will be exactly fifty years on Monday since her first husband, Prince Rudolf, heir of the Emperor Francis-Joseph, was found with the Baroness Marie Vetsera, his mistress, shot dead in his hunting-lodge at Mayerling.

The "Mayerling tragedy" has remained a poignantly mysterious event for half a century.

When in 1937 Prince Rudolf's wife, now Princess Elemer de Ilonyay, published a book, "I Was To Be Empress," in which she claimed to give the true facts of the tragedy, all copies of the book were seized in Austria by order of Chancellor Schuschnigg, because of its damaging references to Prince Rudolf.

The heir to the Austrian Empire married the beautiful Princess Stephanie of Belgium when she was only sixteen, and he was a hardened, fast-living man of the world. The marriage was a tragedy from the start.

Rudolf did not speak to her on their wedding-day. Cynically, he even brought his current mistress to meet her. Taken to her husband's castle, she found not even the crudest preparations made to welcome her.

The temperature was below zero. But there was no fire, no carpets on the floor. There was no bath. The Crown Princess of Austria had to wash at a three-legged washing-stand with a cracked basin.

THE VALET'S STORY

They had been married for eight years when Rudolf was shot. His widow now spends her life between the Chateau d'Oroszvar, Hungary, and a home in Paris.

I can now reveal how the drama of the Mayerling tragedy was unfolded to me some time ago by the man who found the bodies of the Crown Prince and his mistress.

He is Herr Lokesch, who as Rudolf's valet, was on duty at the lodge on the night of the

tragedy. I met him, grey and old, sipping his wine in a Viennese cafe. We talked, and he told me:

"On January 29, Rudolf had invited two friends, Prince Philip of Coburg and Count Joseph of Hoyos, to shoot at Mayerling, but as soon as Prince Philip arrived, Rudolf begged him to hurry back to Vienna at once to tell the Empress that it would be impossible for him to be present at a family party that night."

"Count Philip departed, and later the Count of Hoyos arrived, and I was ordered to serve dinner for Rudolf and him."

"I knew that the Baroness Vetsera had been living at the lodge for two days, but I noticed that she remained in her room on the first floor, and that Rudolf did not breathe a word of her presence to his friend."

UPSET AND NERVOUS

Herr Lokesch told me that the two men talked until ten o'clock. He said:

"I had never seen the Crown Prince so upset and nervous. He told Count Joseph that he had had a dramatic interview with his father, the Emperor, the previous night. Rudolf's young wife had convinced the old man that her husband's liaison with Marie Vetsera was an affront to the whole court. The Emperor had forced his son to promise he would break off the affair within forty-eight hours."

"Rudolf told the Count that he was in despair about his love affair and his debts."

Herr Lokesch went on to tell me how, a few minutes before six, he was awoken by the sound of

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ckable state of affairs existed in Ipswich recently where half the town was marooned owing to floods. The floods in East Anglia were said to be the worst for many years—in some places in as deep as eight feet. A policeman and local resident as comrades in distress.

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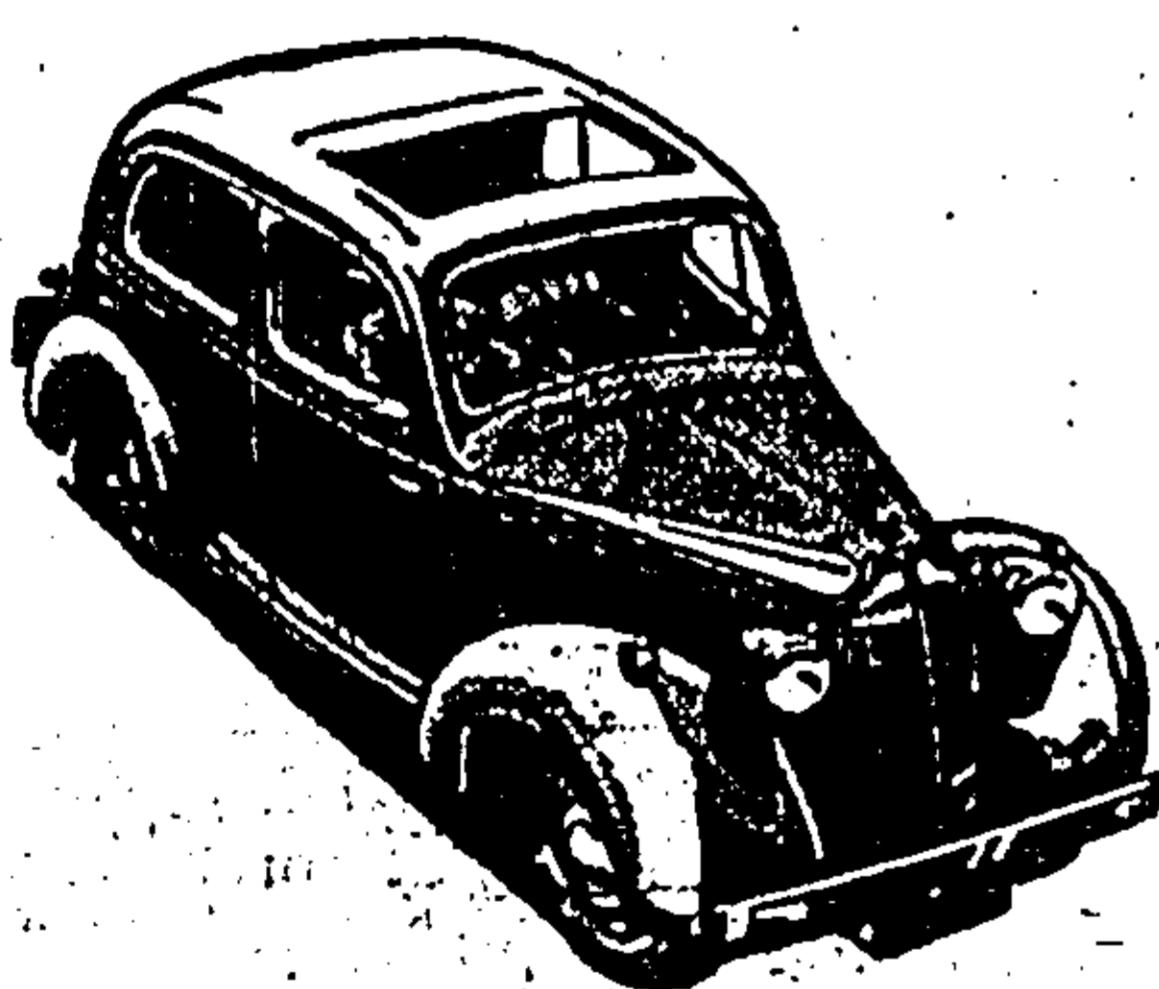
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rrible than wounds seemed the fact that her dead hands clasped a bouquet of roses.

"My master's hand still clutched a revolver. But beside the bed I found a blood-stained razor. Its presence was never explained by the medical evidence or the judicial inquiry, but I am convinced that the razor played a part in the tragedy."

Herr Lokesch believes that the Crown Prince had decided on suicide and killed his mistress only after a last-minute quarrel.

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Make this of velveteen, blanket cloth or plaid wool. If you ice-skate, line both jacket and skirt with wool.

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Beauty and You

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Protect Skin And Lips

If you are just a wobbly beginner, you had better take it from old-time devotees: They will tell you that a nifty sunburn can be easily and quickly acquired when you are on skis! The reflected glare of the snow can raise just as much havoc with your skin and lips as the intense rays of the summer sun.

Unfortunately, the exhilaration of gliding over the crisp white snow at break-neck speed has its price. That price is necessary precaution in the care of your skin before you don your skis! Sharp cutting winds will crack your lips and chap your face, and sun basking after the last jump has been taken, can give you the most painful of burns, besides making you most unlovely to look at!

So experienced winter beauties resort to almost the same aids for protection, as they use during the

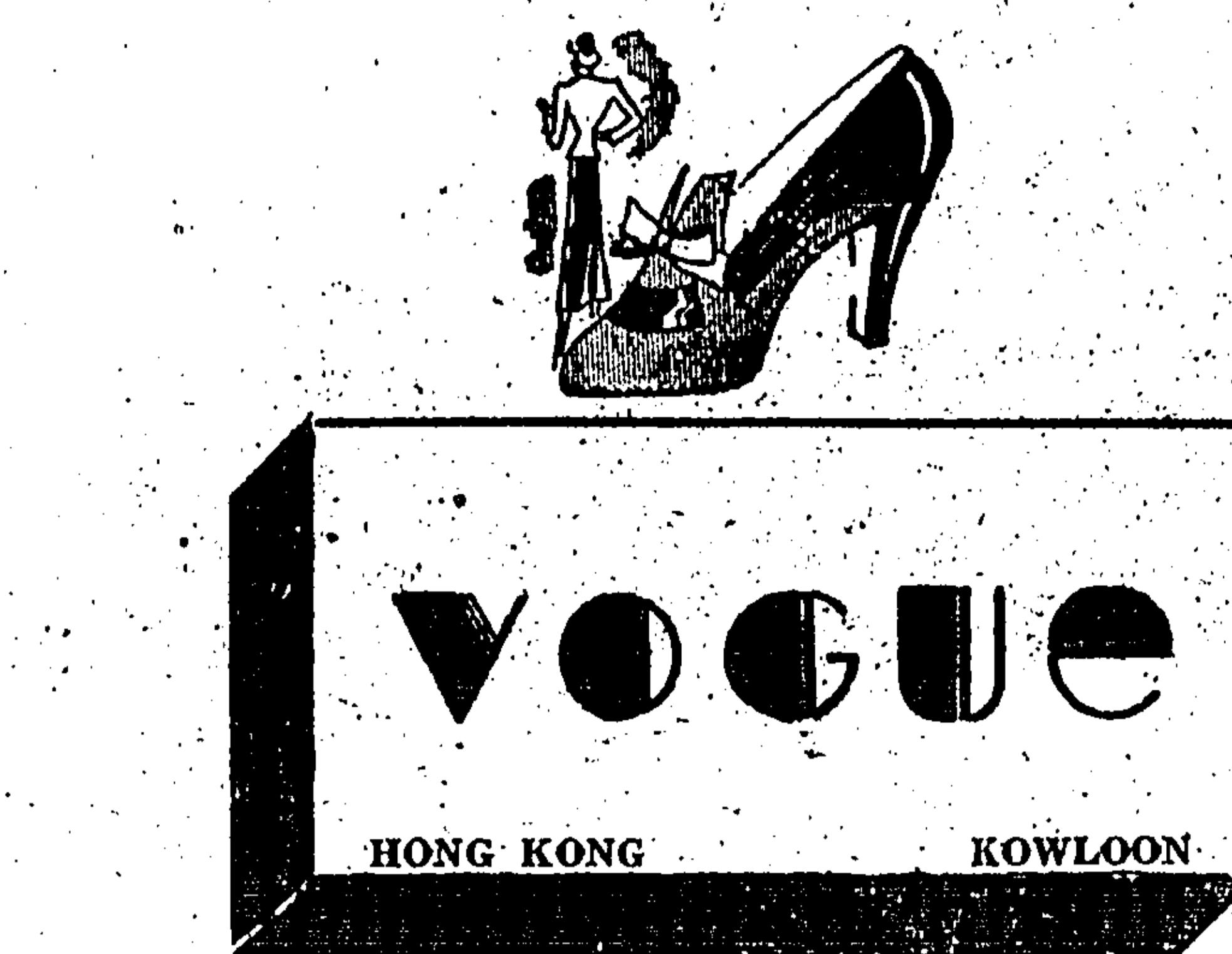


Skiers discovered that sun creams protected their skins from snow-burns!

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It assures you perfect comfort for working, you see, because the beltless line is unrestraining, the hemline is sufficiently wide, and the armholes sufficiently deep. This dress goes on in a jiffy, too, and buttons or zips down the front.

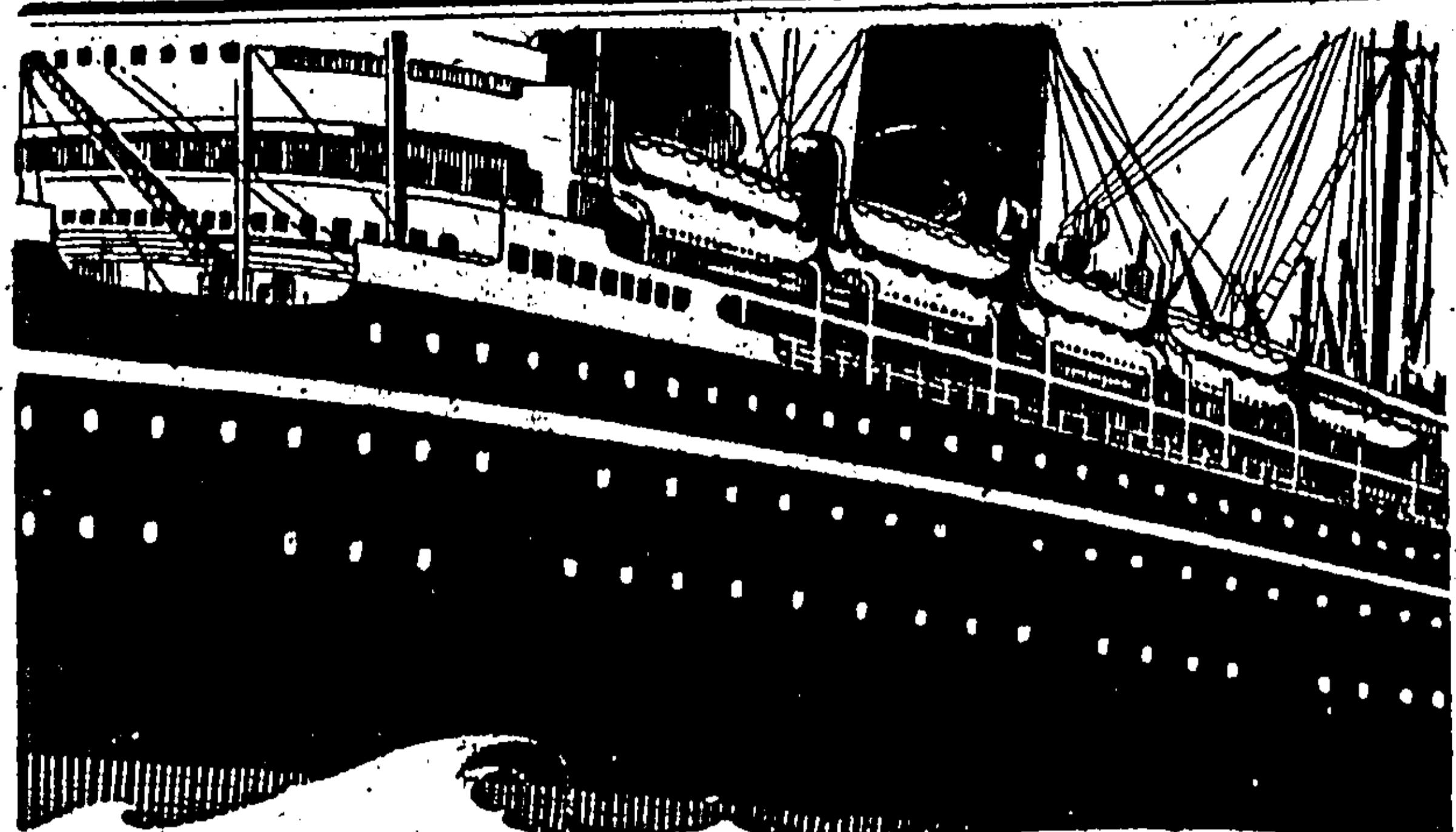
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Shanghai	Athos II	February 16.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan — (San Francisco date, 21st Jan.)	Pres. Polk	February 16.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.) London date, 19th January and London Parcels — (London date, 12th January)	Rawalpindi	February 16.
Calcutta and Straits	Kutsang	February 17.
Straits	Burdwan	February 17.
Japan and Shanghai	Ranchi	February 17.
Australia and Manila	Atuta Maru	February 17.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 27th Jan.)	Press. Taft	February 18.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" — London date, 11th Feb.	Imperial Airways Plane	February 18.
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THURSDAY		
Dairen	Oder	Feb. 16, 10.30 p.m.
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	Ord.	Feb. 15, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 16, 7.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Asama Maru	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Thurs., Feb. 16,
Central and South America via San Francisco — due San Francisco, 10th March.	Reg.	Feb. 15, 5 p.m.
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Fort Bayard, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kwangtung	Feb. 16, 2 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Feb. 16, 3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Athos II	Feb. 16, 6.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service" — due London, 23rd Feb.	Imperial Airways Plane	Feb. 16, K.P.O.
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	Ord.	Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
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	Reg.	Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 16, 7 p.m.
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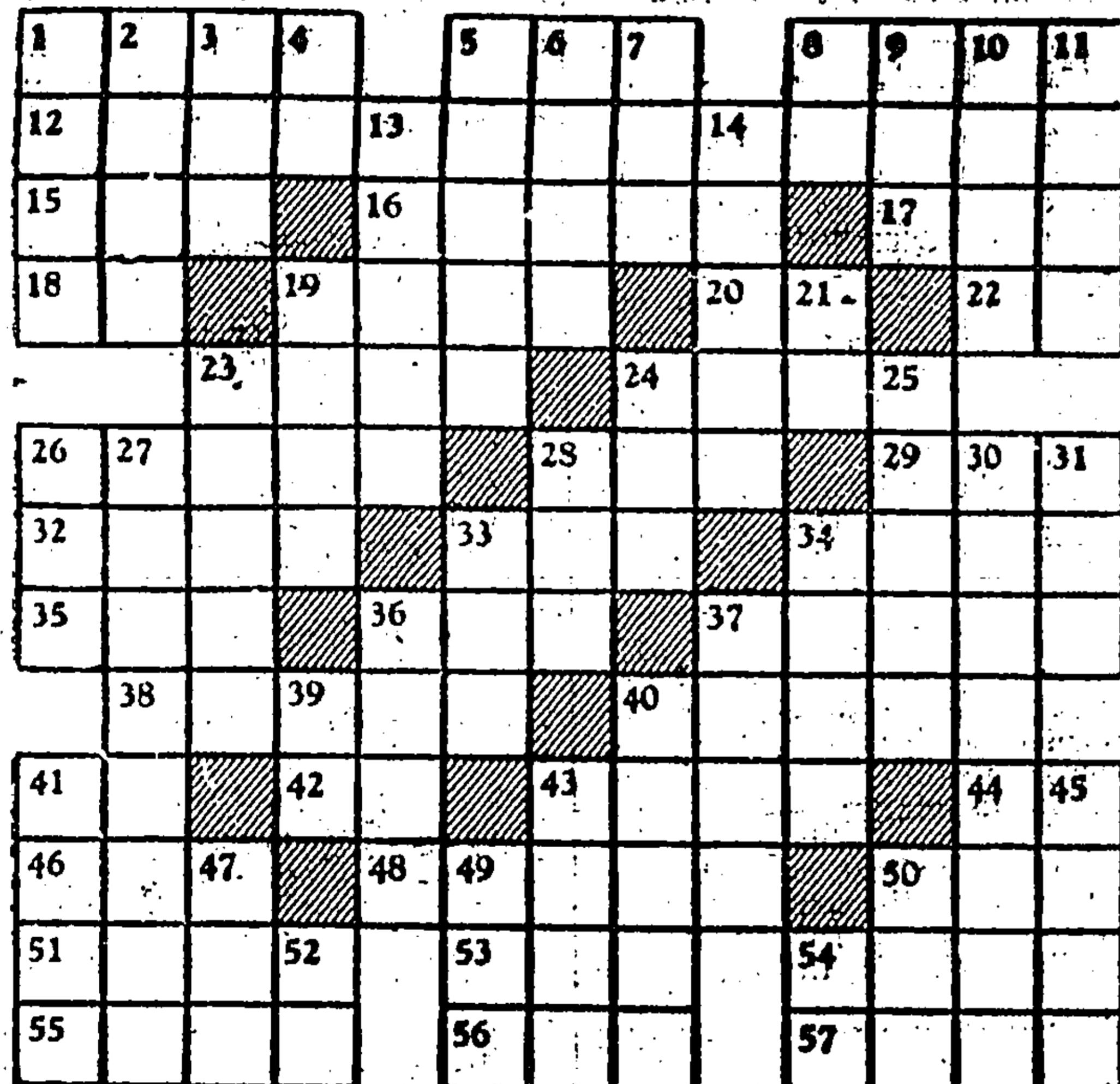
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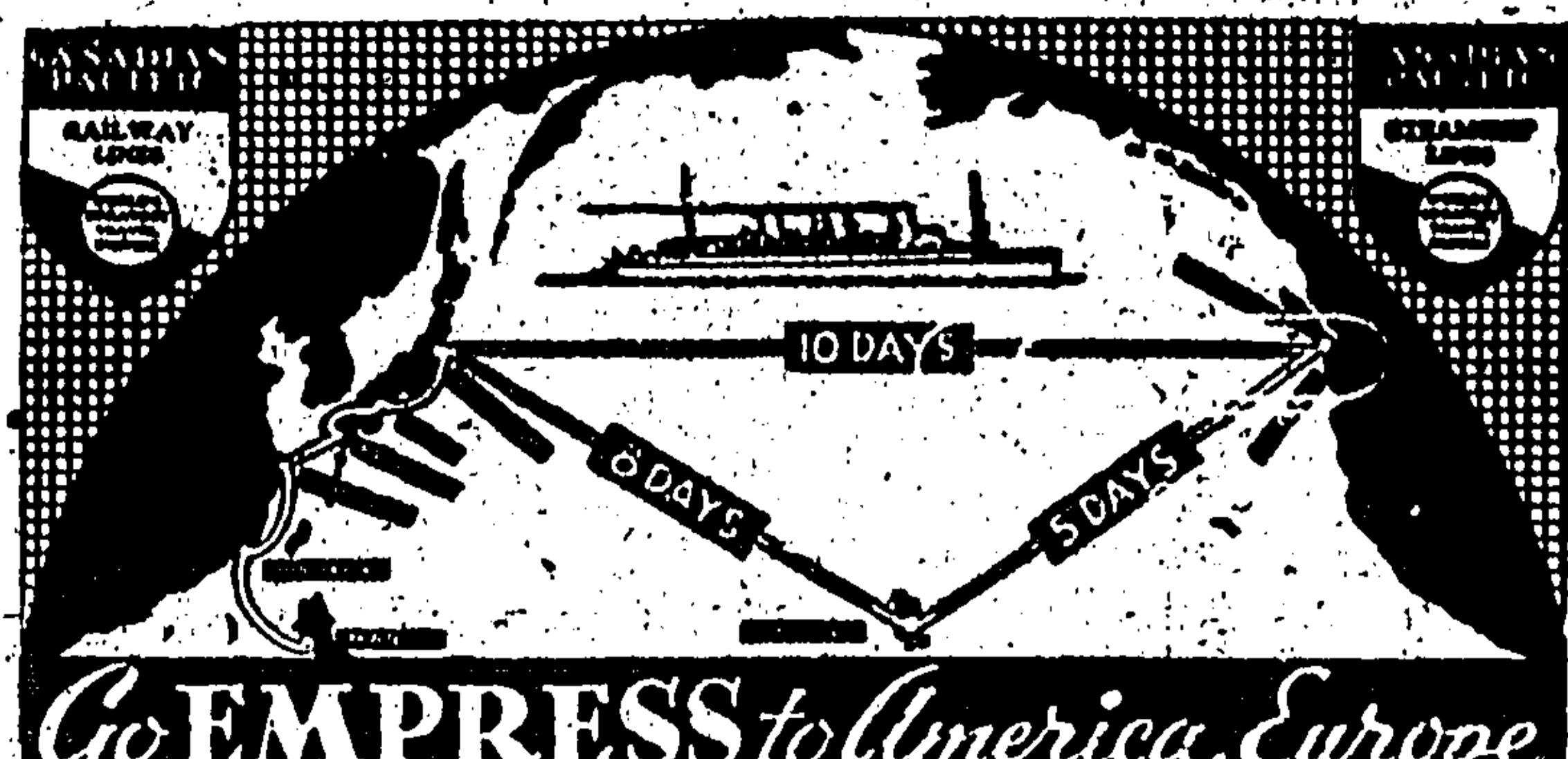
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LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-13/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20 3/8 and forward at 19 7/8.

The London on New York rate

was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.6875, and the New York—London rate at £—U.S.\$4.68-13/16.

EVIAN REFUGEE COMMITTEE DISCUSS NEW GERMAN PLAN

London, To-day.

The inter-governmental committee on refugees, on which thirty nations are represented, concluded its present meetings in London last night after holding two sessions, at which Lord Winterton presided.

A communiqué issued after the meeting states that the committee, having heard the confidential report of its director on the conversations he held in Berlin between January 11 and February 2, in conformity with his mandate under the Evian resolution, and having received from him a statement of what the German Government, acting unilaterally, may be prepared to do to facilitate orderly emigration of involuntary emigrants, took note of Mr. Rublee's report.

The committee authorised him to inform the German authorities that acting independently it has been, is using and will use its best endeavours to develop opportunities within the next five years for permanent settlement of involuntary emigrants from Germany within the limits of the laws and practices of member governments.

VICE-DIRECTOR

Mr. Robert Pell, present assistant director, was appointed vice director, having in the absence of the director of the committee, executive authority and responsibility for carrying out its decisions.

Authority was given to the chairman, acting in agreement with the vice-chairman, to appoint a special negotiator to continue the negotiations if and when necessary to improve the conditions of exodus from the country of origin. — British Wireless.

NEW CHAIRMAN APPOINTED

London, To-day.

The concluding session of the Evian Refugee Committee yesterday decided to invite Sir Herbert Emerson, League Commissioner for Refugees, to assume the directorship in succession to Mr. George Rublee, who resigned.

Sir Herbert would retain his present League post, and thus secure closer co-operation between the Commissioner.

The committee also took cognizance of the projected formation of a private international organisation as an agency to finance emigration from Germany and to maintain the necessary contacts with the German authorities.—Reuter.

HALF HIS NAME ESCAPES HIM

Asked for his name, a witness at the Mansion House Police Court, London, recently replied: "I can't remember it all."

The Clerk: What do you mean by that?

Witness: I know that it is Bernard Joseph Cane, but that is only part of it.

The Clerk: Remember you are on your oath. Tell the Court your proper name.

Witness: Sir, I have seven names, and I have told the Court all that I can remember of them. The others have escaped me.

The case went on.

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MARCH OF A DICTATOR

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and demonstrations were on the grand scale. Cavalry were called out. The editor of the *The Class Struggle* fulminated that before Italy annexed any Tripolis abroad she should clean up her many Tripolis at home. He was arrested. In November 1911 he was set on trial.

Economic gain, Mussolini declared, was at the back of the imperialist aggressions of the Italian State in Libya. He denounced "that senseless and useless bloodshed." The Vatican, naturally, is in the swim, too! Business is business! "Monarchy, the army, war! Here are three institutions, three absurdities! Moreover an Italian army has never won!" *

In court Mussolini appeared "clean-shaven, eyes alive and scintillating; smartly dressed, even dapper. He speaks with his habitual precision, incisively."

At once his powerful personality dominated the scene. Did the Court hold him responsible for the General Strike at Forlì? He would be only too glad to claim that responsibility and honour. But it belonged to the masses who spontaneously had resisted an attack upon their ideas and standards! Other witnesses, however, have testified against this oddly modest version of his part. They say that they saw Mussolini tearing up railway lines with his own hands.

Mussolini's final speech from the dock was logical and defiant. "If you acquit me, you will please me because you restore me to my work and to society! If you condemn me you do me an honour!"

The court sentenced him on November 23, 1911, to one year's imprisonment.

Rise—And Fall

Mussolini actually served only five months in gaol. Socialists, anarchists and even Republicans combined to press for his release.

Avanti, the most intransigent and most popular of all Italian Socialist newspapers, reported the release of the martyr. "Comrade Mussolini left the prison this morning more Socialist than ever. We saw him in his humble home with his small family, which he adores. Numerous telegrams of congratulation and praise from every part of Italy have reached him."

Mussolini accepted these tributes with grace. He disapproved the banquet got up in his honour, though he resigned himself to it on the representations of his old colleagues. Congratulatory banquets have not been in Mussolini's line, either as Socialist or Fascist leader.

Mussolini rode now on the crest. His hatred and contempt of Parliament mounted with his power and pride. "Dregs of the underworld . . . malefactors . . . illiterates . . . Great Circle of the Corrupt." These are among the mildest of his libellous labels for that body. From now on until the outbreak of the Great War, Mussolini dominated the Left in Italian Socialism, and it was a triumphant Left.

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"These years were filled with difficulties for the Italian people," he wrote later. "Our lack of political understanding brought us at least one riot a week. During one Ministry I remember thirtythree. They had their harvest of killed and wounded, and of corroding bitterness of hatred. My own progress had been diverse, my growth of capacity varied. But at least I never flattered the crowd nor wheedled anyone. I spoke always of the costs of victories—sacrifice and sweat and blood!"

He renewed his denunciation of war. He prophesied war's approach. "Every day that passes the huge pyramid of lives that have been sacrificed rears its bloody summit upon which Mars stands waiting with his unsated and contorted mouth in an infernal grin."

Power slid towards him like an avalanche. The monarchy was weak, the Liberal forces divided, the moderate Socialists discredited.

"Red Week" set all Italy in an uproar. A wave of strikes swept over the industrial north. In Milan Mussolini led the workers on to the streets. Troops drove them off.

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REFUGEES IN H.K. CAMPS

The following table shows the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in various Hong Kong camps on February 11.

The total was 6,964, compared with 7,070 on February 4.

4th Feb. 11th Feb.

I. Urban Areas

(a) Civilians

King's Park	1,335	1,425
Ma Tau Chung	623	584
North Point	1,602	1,618

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OVER-CONFIDENCE COST I.R.C. THEIR' GAME WITH THE ARMY

Had two comparatively easy catches been held while Pte. Johns and S/Sgt. Paterson were participating in their sensational last-wicket stand on Saturday, Indian Recreation Club might not have been forced to share honours with the weak Army team.

It will be recollect that Johns and Paterson were the heroes of a stand of 28 which enabled Army to tie I.R.C.'s score.

The match was notable for the complete superiority of the bat over the ball, despite the fact that A. R. Minu, probably the best bowler in the Colony, bore the brunt of the attack on one side.

The Army side are to be congratulated on scoring their first point in the League a feat which was even more meritorious as they were without Capt. Godby, their best bat and a very useful bowler, and Pte. Hatfield, whose fine performances with the ball have been one of the features of the current season.

Godby, I understand, is on the injured list, while Major Murray, the Army skipper, was unable to account for the absence of Hatfield and told me he was as surprised as anybody else that the spearhead of his attack was not playing.

Over-Confidence

I feel that Minu rather underrated the opposition.

I.R.C. had first lease of the wicket and scored freely. Painter, who opened the soldiers' bowling, turned the ball both ways and troubled all the early batsmen, while Swyers was also steady. Apart from these two, however, Army bowling was innocuous and Nazarin, M. el

BY "ADREM"

Arculli and A. R. Minu all took heavy toll of it. A. H. Madar played his usual sound game to make 89.

With the score at 193 and five wickets down, Minu, who obviously did not think very much of Army's batting, declared at 3.40, which, allowing about 10 minutes for the tea-interval, gave Army some two hours and twenty-five minutes to get the runs.

They did not allow the fact that they had all this time to influence their batting, however. Man, Land, and Murray went for anything overpitched with enthusiasm and the cricket was most entertaining.

With 28 runs to get, Paterson, former Interport wicket-keeper and a former opening bat for Craignewer, came in at No. 11 to join Pte. Johns, who, as with the earlier batsmen, was hitting merrily. Paterson defended stoutly while his youthful partner went for them!

"Lives" At Critical Period

Johns, during this thrilling period, had two let-offs, being dropped in the outfield by M. el Arculli, and in the slips by Minu. However, with the scores tied, his fine knock came to an end, for, with the very next ball, he was caught by Arculli, off Minu.

The I.R.C. attack was very disappointing. Most of the bowlers played right into the hands of their opponents by serving them with well-pitched up stuff which was

The "Tie" Question Cleared Up

I have been officially informed by the Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Cricket League, Mr. A. H. Madar, that in the case of a tie in a League match, three points are to be shared.

The question arises out of the I.R.C. junior match with University on the 4th inst. which was tied by the latter shortly before time was called with the undergrads four wickets in hand and again on Saturday when Army tied with I.R.C. Seniors.

Revised League tables are appended.

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Tie	Pts
K.C.C.	4	3	0	1	0	10
Recreio	3	2	0	1	0	7
H.K.C.C.	3	2	0	1	0	7
I.R.C.	4	1	0	2	1	6 1/2
C.S.C.C.	4	1	2	1	0	4
Navy	4	1	3	0	0	3
C.C.C.	4	0	2	2	0	2
Army	4	0	3	0	1	1 1/2

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Tie	Pts
Recreio	4	3	0	1	0	10
University	5	2	0	2	1	9 1/2
K.C.C.	5	2	0	3	0	9
Navy	5	2	0	3	0	9
Police	4	2	2	0	0	6
I.R.C.	4	1	1	1	1	5 1/2
C.C.C.	5	1	2	2	0	5
H.K.C.C.	4	0	1	3	0	3
C.S.C.C.	5	0	3	2	0	2
Army	5	0	4	1	0	1

very much to their taste. Even the inimitable Minu was at fault and not for some time has six wickets cost him as many runs as 92. The game was all over by 5.55.

Craigengower Cricket Club approached their game with Navy with a light-hearted spirit and a determination that they would all have a good time. They lost rather badly! However, as all but two of the team were agreed that it was good fun, I don't suppose the result really matters.

Fuller, and Paxton, I am told, were the chief flies in the ointment. Navy lost two wickets right away, Souza taking both of them in his first spell for 0 runs. Fuller then got going and although dropped a couple of times, hit very hard, eventually to compile 62. Holdsworth and Kennedy were the only other double-figure scorers.

These Wicket-Keepers!

Craigengower used nine bowlers in all and strangely enough, those who are only rarely if ever used, took all the wickets. Even wicket-keeper Archie Zimmern, who like all wicket-keepers fancies himself as a bowler, had one over.

Set to score 119 for a win, Craigengower, with a "comic" batting order, had their ideas shaken up considerably. In the space of a few minutes 5 wickets were down for 10 runs! It was then too late to do anything. The rot was turned into a rout and only a small stand between Archie Zimmern and A. B. Hamson enabled them to total 65. Paxton, Brightman and Booth all returned very fine analyses, the former in particular, bowling very steadily.

'Varsity's Splendid Victory

Police, after scoring 169 against University, were perhaps a trifle unfortunate to lose. Fay, Stephens and the Commissioner

of Police are now in great form with the bat and they were principally responsible for this fine score.

Fay, who I am told, does not consider himself a batsman, but, so my informant tells me, is easily the finest bat in the side, batted very soundly for his 41. He was together with Stephens in a useful partnership of over 40 and the latter then became associated with T. H. King in another useful partnership. King batted in his usual style, his favourite scoring-shot being a powerful drive over the bowler's head which almost invariably went for four.

There was never very much in the University bowling, although Ng and Teoh were fairly steady.

University set about their task with confidence. Backbone of the batting was J. Fong who played a very nice knock of 51. Never very aggressive, Fong's defence is his strong point—he brings his bat down very straight. Ng and Matthews carried the score to within striking distance and near the end, Teoh and Singh hit off the runs amid tremendous excitement.

Fay bowled very well for 5 for 35 but Pope had one of his rare off-days and his solitary wicket cost him 52 runs.

Three Dull Games

A most uninteresting game was that at Happy Valley between Civil Service and Kowloon Cricket Club. The former could only total 66 for which they have to thank W. A. Wright, who took his courage in both hands and hit for 31. Lay, Simpson, McKenzie and Baldwin all took cheap wickets for K. C. C.

B. D. Lay and F. A. Broadbridge knocked off the required runs in quick time without being separated and rugger then became the centre of interest.

Navy had a field-day at the expense of Craigengower Juniors, truly an inconsistent team, and won by no fewer than 150 runs.

Navy made 210 for 8, Brown, Napier and Wood being principal contributors, while Capt. Carless who was the hero of the game against K. C. C., hit a colossal four over the pavilion in a breezy 14.

Iranee and Lam were the only two home batsmen to reach double-figures against accurate bowling by Finnie, Wood, Falle and Carless.

Another extremely dull match took place at Sookunpoo between Army and I. R. C. Sig. Murphy was the only soldier who ever looked like making runs and he took no chances while compiling 82.

No Enterprise

Actually there was very little enterprise displayed by any of the Army batsmen and the I. R. C. bowlers were finally reduced to sending up donkey-hops in an effort to get them to hit.

I. R. C. were never in any danger of losing and appeared far more interested in the grand game that was being played next door between their respective first teams.



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Shanghai Rugby Team Arrive

W. H. B. Rigg Not Due Till Friday

Members of the Shanghai Interport Rugby team, with the exception of W. H. B. Rigg, who is expected here on Friday, arrived in the Colony this morning by the s.s. Taisang. All looked very fit and well.

It was the opinion of several of the visiting players that although Shanghai were not as strong as in former years, it would be very unwise for the Colony team to underestimate their strength. They were a well-balanced side.

The Shanghai players will probably turn out for practice this afternoon prior to the Club "A" Middlesex encounter.

PEN SKETCHES

The following are pen-sketches of the visiting Interport fifteen:

W. H. B. Rigg (full-back)—has played Interport for the Colony in 1932 against Shanghai. Has played as a centre-threequarter, is very fast and hard runner; well known to Colony players. Played for Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in England.

P. J. A. Innes (right-wing three-quarter). Is very fast and goes hard. Played for Rosslyn Park and Middlesex at Home.

A. G. White (centre-threequarter). Has several Shanghai Interport "caps," but is better known as a full-back. Very safe pair of hands and runs fast. Is fairly dependable defender.

I. F. Autott (centre-threequarter). One of Shanghai's best centres of recent seasons. Is fast, goes hard and has good defence. Has played for King's School Canterbury and for Esher.

I. M. Hutchinson (wing threequarter). Has played for Harrow Club. Practically new to Shanghai, but has to date displayed impressive form.

G. M. Mills (stand-off-half). Is heavy and fast, difficult to stop when he gets going.

R. Laird (scrum-half). Has played for Trinity Trojans, Cambridge.

W. D. Pearson (forward) has several Interport "caps" for Shanghai and has played for Brighton.

J. F. Burford (Hooker) played for his college at Cambridge, and for Shanghai against Hong Kong in 1936-37 season.

R. A. O. Mayne (forward). Came to Shanghai with good Rugby record. Played for well-known Bedford 15 and for Shanghai against Hong Kong in 1936-37.

Visitors Find Ground Too Hard!

The Manila Interport football team were seen at practice at Caroline Hill yesterday.

The visitors found the ground too hard to their liking and as warm as yesterday was, complained of the cold!

Lee Wai-tong, captain of the Hong Kong team, Brother John, Director of St. Joseph's College and former director of La Salle College, Manila and Bro. Anthony, sports master of La Salle College Hong Kong, were all present.

Manila have been accustomed to a light ball and found the type of ball used in the Colony difficult to control.

Club Meet Middlesex At Rugby To-day

There will be a Rugby game on the Club ground to-day when the Club "A" XV will play Middlesex Regiment, commencing at 5.00 p.m. The Club side has been selected as follows:

J. T. Brown, D. I. Bosanquet, E. Taverner, D. B. Nelson, H. F. Hopkins, M. G. Carruthers, P. Welch, R. G. L. Oliphant, J. S. Dunnett (Captain), W. Stoker, J. Moodie, G. M. Marrs, C. M. Stark, W. A. Johnson and H. W. E. Heath.

MANILA'S INTERPORT TEAM SELECTED

Manila's football team to meet Hong Kong on Sunday next on the Causeway Bay ground, is as follows:

R. Ygoa; M. Miranda, J. Pacheco; R. Nieto, P. Urgate, E. Valles; A. Reyes, E. Heredia, A. Larrazabia, A. Boissiere and E. Beech.

R. P. J. Stewart (second-row) has several Interports to his credit hard-working and always up with the ball.

R. U. Reynolds (forward). Has splendid record as a forward, having played for Sale (Lancashire League team), Cheshire and the Barbarians, that well-known team comprised mostly of ex-international players. Did 1938 Easter Tour with them.

J. R. M. Warner (forward). Newcomer to Shanghai, but has already established a reputation for himself.

G. H. Reynolds (forward). Played for Metropolitan Police for several seasons and with much success for Glamorgan.

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Turn the muscles of the waist and back until the clubhead is horizontal and pointed slightly to the right of the hole. Considerable practice is necessary to groove the backstroke in this manner and the practice tee, the best setting.

ST. JOSEPH'S BASKETBALL MATCH ON SATURDAY

St. Joseph's College Basketball team has been asked to play the first of a series of friendly matches against a team from the U.S.S. John D. Edwards. The match will be played at 7 p.m. in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium on Saturday. This match was arranged by the Physical Director of the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

INTERPORT SOCCER TEAM'S LAST PRACTICE

The Colony's Interport football team to meet Manila will hold their last practice game to-day, when they meet a picked team at Causeway Bay this afternoon at 5 p.m.

An opportunity of witnessing the Manila team "loosening up" will be afforded as they will be kicking about at 4 p.m.

To-day's team are as follows:

Interport Team:—Tam Kwan-kon (S. China "B"); Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A") and Sheehan (Middlesex); Honeywell (Navy), Dixon (Navy) and Leung Wing-chiu (S. China "A"); F. Fowler (Club), Fung King-cheung (S. China "A"), Lee Wai-tong (S. China "A") (Captain), A. V. Gosano (St. Joseph's), Hau Ching-to (Eastern).

Rest Of Colony:—MacAllister; Newby and Ulrich; Rides, Bright and Courtney; A. N. Other, Jorge, Thorburn, Gomes and Reitzen.

Correct Backstroke Important

By BEST BALL

The backstroke being the key initial movement in golf is important because as it goes so goes the downstroke as a rule. For that reason it is important that the club be taken back correctly. The peril of lifting the club up with the right arm has been publicized so much, there is little reason for harping on it here. What is required is a pushing of the left hand backward in response to the turn of the left

turn the muscles of the waist and back until the clubhead is horizontal and pointed slightly to the right of the hole. Considerable practice is necessary to groove the backstroke in this manner and the practice tee, the best setting.

Friday—Golf Consistency.

Prizes for the first three places were distributed in the Hall of St. Andrew's Church by Mrs. J. R. Higgs, wife of the Vicar.

The first prize was given by Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, the second by Mr. E. Abraham and the third by Mr. F. C. Hall.

The following were the first 15 runners to reach the finishing post:

1. C. Brown, (H.M.S. Grampus). Time: 34 mins. 57 secs.
2. Pte. Manson (Royal Scots). Time: 35 mins. 01 secs.
3. M. Trickle (H.M.S. Olympus). Time: 35 mins. 08 secs.
4. Pte. Heather (Middlesex).
5. Pte. Shaw (Middlesex).
6. Cpl. Ellis (Middlesex).
7. Pte. Onslow (Middlesex).
8. A/C. Moulton (R.A.F.).
9. Pte. Boggis (Middlesex).
10. L/Cpl. Burnett (Middlesex).
11. Pte. Evans (Middlesex).
12. L/Cpl. Noble (Middlesex).
13. Pte. Wilson (Royal Scots).
14. Signaller Lewis (Royal Signals).
15. Pte. Shaw (Middlesex).

GRAPHIC GOLE



hip to the right. This shoves the clubhead back low along the ground for a considerable distance and it is important, at this point, to make sure this distance is traversed by the clubhead in a direct line backward from the ball.

Naturally as the clubhead travels further backward it must turn inward because the right arm is staying comfortably close to the right side where it belongs and the left arm following the pressure of the left hip must also turn in this direction. At the half way mark the backstroke should approximate the left hand illustration above. At this point the hip turn is about the same as in the full backswing at the right. What remains to be done is to maintain this straight left arm for the continuance of the arc upward and

C. Brown Wins K'loon Marathon

Civilians Conspicuous Absence

Taking 34 mins. 57 secs. over a course of 6½ miles, C. Brown, of H.M.S. Grampus, won the annual Kowloon marathon race organised by the St. Andrew's Club.

There were 36 entrants, 29 reaching the finishing post. Pte. Manson, Royal Scots, was second, M. Trickle, H.M.S. Olympus, third, Pte. Heather, Middlesex Regiment fourth, and Pte. Shaw, of the same Regiment, fifth. The Middlesex Regiment had about 19 entrants, of whom five were among the first ten home.

The race commenced and ended outside St. Andrew's Church, the course being Nathan Road, Waterloo Road, Prince Edward Road, Chatham Road and Nathan Road.

TROPHIES AWARDED

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Week-End's Soccer Programme

SATURDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1939

First Division

Royal Scots v St. Joseph's (Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Ip.
Linesmen:—McGrew and Purcell.
Police v Kowloon (Boundary Road, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Glover.
Linesmen:—Demmee and Dove.

Kwong Wah v Club (Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Thomas.
Linesmen:—Somerville and Smith.
Navy v Eastern (Causeway Bay, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Clarke.
Linesmen:—Stone and Barretto.

Second Division
R.A.O.C. v Middlesex (Military, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Hinchliffe.

5th R.A. v Eastern (Causeway Bay, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Havelaar.
Police v Kowloon (Boundary Road, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Phillips.

Royal Scots v St. Joseph's (Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Silva.

Third Division "A"
5th A.A. v P.W.D. (St. Joseph's, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Edwards.
Kit Chee v Stanley (St. Joseph's, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Ford.

SUNDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1939

Interport
Hong Kong v Manila (Causeway Bay, 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Omar.

Linesmen:—Ip and Molyneux.
MONDAY, 20TH FEBRUARY, 1939

Combined Chinese v Manila (Causeway Bay, 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Goss.

Linesmen:—Clarke and Havelaar.
TUESDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY, 1939

First Division
South China "B" v Middlesex (Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Molyneux.

Linesmen:—Baker and Horlock.
Royal Scots v Kowloon (Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Adlam.

Linesmen:—Benham and Gibson.
WEDNESDAY, 22ND FEB., 1939

Rest of Colony v Manila (Causeway Bay, 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Kossick.
Linesmen:—Thomas and Hinchliffe.

H. BROWN TO TRAIN MR. J. V. RANK'S HORSES

Mr. James V. Rank, the millionaire racehorse owner, who has a big string of flat racers and jumpers at Druid's Lodge, near Salisbury, stated that he has appointed Harry Brown to supervise the training of his jumpers for the balance of the current season, and to become exclusively private trainer of his National Hunt horses next season.

Mr. Brown will continue his own stable for the time being, but it has been definitely arranged that he shall take full charge of Mr. Rank's jumpers, and give up his own stable at the end of this season.

Mr. Rank, in making this announcement, paid a great tribute to the committee of three, Frank Morris, Jack Fawcett, and Francis Slater, who have been responsible for the training of his horses for the past few weeks.

GRAND NATIONAL AND GOLD CUP CONTROVERSY

(By AIR MAIL)

Savon and Rudolph IV, which have met with accidents since the entries for the Grand National were published, have been scratched.

It is the opinion of Mr. E. E. Robinson, Clerk of the Course at Cheltenham, that the decision to run Airhead Sios in the Grand National, instead of allowing him to contest the Cheltenham Cup first, and to make Macaulay's chief objective the Cup, was caused by the great race between Golden Miller and Thomond II, four years ago. They set up such a strong pace that they probably destroyed whatever chance they might have had at Liverpool.

Golden Miller won the Cheltenham race, but unseated his rider when starting a 2-1 favourite at Liverpool. Thomond II. was beaten into third place after being in the lead close home.

There is a fortnight between the Cup and the "National," which, according to some trainers, affords ample time to recover from a three miles and three furlongs race, if it is not run at a punishing pace.

Sir Francis Towle, owner of Airhead Sios, considers that it would be better to run the Cheltenham Gold Cup three or four weeks earlier, and give a horse time to recover. "I would not run the same horse in both races again," he said.

"The Cheltenham course is stiff.

Golden Miller had an easy race in the Gold Cup when he won the two races in 1934. No horse can run in both without incurring a grave risk."

West Ham's Triumph In English Cup Replay

TOTTENHAM BEATEN AT THIRD ATTEMPT

(By AIR MAIL)

A GREAT goal by Foxall led to West Ham's dramatic victory over Tottenham Hotspur in the English Cup fourth-round second replay at Highbury. Ten minutes from the end of normal time Tottenham led by a goal, scored by Morrison quarter of an hour before the interval.

Although they were disorganized in attack by injuries, they seemed capable of holding their advantage.

Then came Foxall's goal. Macaulay, standing near the half-way line, flicked the ball down the centre. Foxall and four Hotspur defenders, including the goal-keeper, raced for it. It seemed long odds against Foxall getting there first, yet he did. As his opponents crashed into him, 25 yards from goal, his right boot found its mark, and the ball flew swiftly and unerringly into the net.

West Ham nearly won the game before extra time was called. They made no mistake during the additional period, Macaulay, who played well all through, shooting a simple goal after twenty minutes from a pass by Small.

UNFORTUNATE

Besides Morrison, Lyman and Hall were hurt in vigorous but quite fair play, and Tottenham in this respect can account themselves unfortunate. Yet West Ham were the cleverer footballers. Morton gave a grand display on the left wing, and Foxall, nominally outside-right, but centre-forward most of the time, proved an ever-present danger.

Before injuries upset them, Tottenham looked a good side, particularly in defence, where Hitchins,

said. "The Cheltenham course is stiff. Golden Miller had an easy race in the Gold Cup when he won the two races in 1934. No horse can run in both without incurring a grave risk."

Through the sound batting of A. L. Hassett and R. G. Gregory, Victoria were able to reply to New South Wales's first innings total of 120 with a score of 259.

The home team, going in again, hit up 217 in just over 3½ hours. S. G. Barnes, who failed to score in the first innings, made 48 before he was run-out, and C. Solomon had 49 on the board when he fell a victim to Barry-Scott.

WORLD SKI TITLE

Zakopane, To-day.

The world ski championships slalom event was won by Rominger, of Switzerland, in 121.8-10 secs. Jannewein, of Germany, who finished second in both the downhill and slalom events, won the combined downhill-slalom event.—Reuter.

"STEVE" DONOGHUE'S DERBY HORSE

Rogerstone Castle, the Derby horse trained by Steve Donoghue, and regarded as one of the best two-year-olds of last season, is making satisfactory progress.

"He is thickening considerably across his back," said Donoghue to a reporter. "It is too early to say whether he will make a stayer, although I think he will get a mile all right."

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Challenges For Davis Cup

United States Have Big Nucleus From Which To Make Their Selections

AUSTIN'S RETURN WILL ENTRANCE BRITISH ISLES' CHANCES

(By AIR MAIL)

CHALLENGES for the Davis Cup have been in the hands of the United States L.T.A. and the draw has already been made, while prospective teams are already beginning to take shape. The more interesting matches, though much the fewer in number, are likely to be those which will be fought out in the American zone, where Australia and Japan will enter again as they did last year, and may be joined by Canada and Mexico, while the holders sit out awaiting the final challenger provided by the winner of the match between the successful teams in the European and American zones.

The United States sit out, as I have said; but even with the large number of fine young players they have from which to select their team, they will not be so well off as they were last year, in that they will no longer have the services of Budge or of Mr. Walter Pate, who for some years past has been their non-playing captain.

The constitution of their team will take a lot of consideration, but probably it will be found that R. L. Riggs, J. R. Hunt, S. B. Wood, F. Kovacs, C. G. Mako, B. M. Grant, and F. A. Parker form a nucleus which will provide the destined four defenders.

Japan will again depend on a two-man team, J. Yamagishi and F. Nakano; Australia will probably rely on A. K. Quist (if he has learnt how not to footfault), Jack Crouferd and J. Bromwich, as their singles players.

Germany's team is not likely to stray far beyond R. Menzel, H. Henkel, and G. von Metaxa; France has C. Boussus, H. Bolelli, Y. Petra, and P. Pellizza; and Yugo-Slavia, perhaps the strongest of the European countries, F. Puncic, P. Pallada, F. Kukuljevic, and D. Mitic.

ENGLAND'S TEAM

Then, of course, there is England, or rather the British Isles, as it is known for Davis Cup purposes. Last year was hardly a blaze of glory for us, just managing to struggle through against Rumania and going down heavily to Yugo-Slavia. Any chance we may have of getting through the European zone would seem to depend on H. W. Austin, who after a year, Achilles-like in his tent, will come forth again to lead the team. The experiment of trying out our younger players in international tennis last year, though it did not carry us far, at any rate, gave some idea of which of them might be looked upon as likely to develop. Austin and R. A. Shays might well win enough singles between them to carry off a round of the Davis Cup, and the changes ought to be rung on Butler, Deloford, Wilde, and Billington, in various arrangements of partners to provide us with the best possible doubles pair.

L.T.A.'S NEW CHAIRMAN

In electing Mr. C. R. Glanvill as its chairman for the coming year the Council of the L.T.A. has made a wise choice, as well as doing honour to an old member of the Council, who has already done a great deal of quiet and effective work on the various committees of which he has been a member for several years past. Few men could possibly be better fitted to steer the Council through what seems not unlikely to be a difficult year. Common sense, tact, and an unbending "straightness" are the qualities which Mr. Glanvill will bring to his task, and they should carry him through it with as great a measure of success as any man elected to his high position in

the politics of the game is ever likely to achieve.

In one department of his duties—that in connection with tournaments—Mr. Glanvill has had probably more experience than any of those who will sit under him. For the last quarter of a century, or perhaps a little more, he has been mainly responsible for the organisation of the biggest and best tournament in the country outside Wimbledon—the Kent Championships at Beckenham, with which his name and that of Mr. C. A. Elgodo, as joint honorary secretaries, will always be indissolubly connected by all the chief home, and a great many of the principal foreign, players since the war.

With so many controversial subjects for decision as are likely to come before this year's Council meetings, Mr. Glanvill's long experience of the game, its players, and its problems should make him emphatically the right man in the right place.

Colony Badminton Titles

Draws For Events

At a meeting of the Hong Kong Badminton Association Committee yesterday, the following first round matches for the Open Badminton Championships were drawn. The women's doubles championship has been eliminated.

The following is the draw:

MEN'S SINGLES (SENIOR)
Byes.—P. K. Hui, J. S. Ho and F. Kho.

First round.—T. F. Yong v. S. A. Gray; C. K. Lee v. M. A. Oliveira.

Byes.—K. L. Yong, S. F. Hon and S. Au.

MEN'S SINGLES (JUNIOR)

Byes.—J. S. Ho.

First round.—C. N. Silva v. E. S. Ho; S. H. Boone v. L. Sung; S. A. Broadbridge v. A. L. Fisher; D. Kwok v. M. M. Soares; P. C. Leung v. A. Keown.

Byes.—P. Lo and D. M. Xavier.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Byes.—P. K. Hui and K. L. Yong; C. N. and A. N. Silva.

First round.—Sung and Yong v. Bywater and North; Smith and Wilson v. Oliveira and Carvalho; Bun and Lim v. E. F. Fincher and H. Kew.

Byes.—D. Kwok and F. H. Kwok; E. S. and J. S. Ho; C. Au and F. Kho.

MIXED DOUBLES

First round.—P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo v. A. Keown and Miss R. Summers; L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Rebeiro v. K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung; C. Au and Miss A. C. Remedios v. A. L. Fisher and Mrs. S. W. Clark; D. Kwok and Mrs. P. Wilson v. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva.



King's College Hospital beat St. George's Hospital in the first round of the Hospitals' Rugby Cup, at Richmond Athletic ground on January 31. When these students and doctors "get going" you can be sure of a full-blooded game from start to finish. Photo shows—Making doubly sure of their man, two King's players crash over the touch line with a St. George's man underneath the trio. (Copyright, Fox).

IMPORTANT RUGBY LEAGUE CAPTURE

(By AIR MAIL)

LEEDS Rugby League Club have made an important capture when they secured from Huddersfield the transfer of Dennis Madden at a fee of £1250.

A Welsh international three-quarter or half-back, Madden was placed on the transfer list at his own request. Madden, formerly with the Streatham Club, is a prolific scorer, and this season has obtained 23 tries.

Wigan were in keen competition for his services. The fee is not a record for the game, for Warrington paid slightly more to Liverpool Stanley for the signature of Belschaw.

Notts County The 1940 Olympic Games Receive Rebate Of £500

Everton's Gesture Over Dixie Dean Transfer

(By AIR MAIL)

The Everton F. C. directors have agreed to allow Notts County a rebate of £500 on the outstanding balance of £1000 which the County owed the Goodison Park club for the transfer of Dixie Dean, the England international centre-forward, last March.

Dixie played in only nine games for the County—three in the 1937-38 season and six early this season. Three weeks ago, the County and Dean mutually agreed to cancel their agreement, and last Friday Dean signed for Sligo Rovers, the Irish club.

The County sent a deputation to Everton, and when the £500 rebate was agreed upon, the County agreed to pay the balance this week. The cheque for £500 has now been sent from Nottingham to Everton.

Helsinki, (By Air Mail).

The qualifying figures for the events in the 1940 Olympic Games, to be held here, have been announced by the International Amateur Athletic Federation.

In several cases the qualifying marks have been put higher than for the 1936 Games held in Berlin.

Here is a table showing the comparisons:

	1940 (Helsinki)	1936 (Berlin)
High Jump	6 ft 1 1/4 in	6 ft 1 in
Long Jump	23 ft 7 1/4 in	23 ft 5 1/4 in
Pole Vault	12 ft 9 1/4 in	12 ft 5 1/4 in
Hop, Step, and Jump	47 ft 6 in	46 ft
Discus	147 ft 7 1/4 in	144 ft 4 1/4 in
Javelin	213 ft 3 in	196 ft 10 1/4 in
Hammer	160 ft 9 1/4 in	150 ft 11 in

There will be no qualifying figure for the competition proper in the shot putt, the twelve best going into the final.

London, To-day. In their Fifth Round replay in the F. A. Cup, Grimsby beat Sheffield United at home by the only goal scored. In the first game both teams failed to score. Reuter.

**Students' Songs
And Other
London Relays**

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Roy Fox & His Orchestra.
12.45 p.m.—Charlie Kunz at the Piano.
Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 2.
21. Intro: On the Beach At Bali
Bali: Empty Saddles You Can't
Pull the Wool over my Eyes; Your
Heart and Mine; The Scene
Changes; Supposing.
Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 3.
21. Intro: Please Be Kind; The
Down and Out Blues; Cry, Baby,
Cry; The sweetest song in the
World; The First Quarrel; Little
Lady Make Believe.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Gilbert & Sullivan Excerpts.
"The Gondoliers":
I Stole The Prince... Leo Shufeldt, Henry A. Lytton, Bertha Lewis, Mavis Bennett & Arthur Hosking.
But, Bless My Heart, Try Me Life-long... Mavis Bennett, Leo Shufeldt, Henry A. Lytton, Bertha Lewis & Arthur Hosking.
"Trial By Jury":
Hark, the Hour of Ten is sounding... George Baker & Chorus.
Is This the Court of the Exchequer?... Derek Oldham & Chorus.
When First My Old, Old Love... Derek Oldham, George Baker & Chorus.
All Hail! Great Judge... Chorus.
"Trial by Jury":
A Nice Dilemma... Leo Shufeldt, Arthur Hosking, Derek Oldham, George Baker, Winifred Lawson and Chorus.
I Love Him... Winifred Lawson, Derek Oldham and Chorus.
"The Pirates of Penzance":
Stay, We Must Not Lose Our Senses... Derek Oldham and Chorus of Girls.
Hold, Monsters!... E. Griffin, G.

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1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press
Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Dance Music & Variety.
Vocal—On N'A Pas Besoin De La Lunne (Misraki); Qu'Est Ce Qu'On Attend.... Plus et Tabot with
Piano.
Dance Ch.—Stop Beatin' Round
The Mulberry Bush—Quickstep;
Don't Cross Your Fingers, Cross
Your Heart—Fox-Trot... Nat Gonella & His Georgians with Vocal
by Nat Gonella.
Vocal—Brother, Can You Spare A
Dime (Gorney); Home On The Range (arr. Guion)... Bing Crosby with Orchestra.
Dance Orch.—Chagrin D'Amour—
Tango; Arroyito—Tango.... A. J. Pesenti & His Orchestra.
Cinema Organ—Leslie Stuart Selection... Reginald Foote at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.
Dance Orch.—I Just Couldn't Take It, Baby (Nichols); Junk Man—
Fox-Trot... Jack Teagarden and His Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Beethoven—Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, Op. 67. Royal Albert Hall Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.
6.33 p.m.—Songs by Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano).
Creation's Hymn (Beethoven, Op. 48, No. 4); I Love Thee (Beethoven); Laughing And Weeping (Schubert, Op. 59, No. 4); My Love Is Green

**Beethoven's
Fifth
Symphony**

Orchestra.
I Want Your Heart... Jim Cope (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Bird O Love Divine! I Hear You Calling Me... The London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Richard Crean.
Love's Garden Of Roses; Roses Of Picardy... Hubert Eisfeld (Tenor) with Orchestra.
8.30 p.m.—Mark Weber and His Orchestra Reminiscences Of Grieg (arr. Urbach).
8.45 p.m.—London Relay—Empire Exchange. Points of view by travellers from the Dominions & Colonies.
9 p.m.—London Relay—Light Music from Sweden.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
Hyde Park Suite (Jalowicz)... conducted by Capt. George Miller.
10 p.m.—London Relay—Students' Songs. The B.B.C. Men's Chorus conducted by Leslie Woodgate with Henry Cummings (Baritone). He's a College Boy; Never Say Die; The Student; The West-End Pox; A Litany of Drinking; Peter Brown; Man is for the Woman Made; One more River to Cross; Poor Ned; Begone, Dull Care.
10.30 p.m.—Latest Dance Records.
Quickstep—I Got Love; Fox-Trot—The Trek Song (film 'We're going to be rich')... The Band Waggoners.
Slow Fox-Trot—Heart And Soul (film 'A Song is Born'); Quickstep—Hold My Hand... Gerry Moore (Piano).
Fox-Trots—If You Were The Only Girl In The World; Yes, There Ain't No Moonlight... Nat Gonella & His Georgians with Vocal Refrain.
Tango—Tango Espanol; Tango Illusion... Robert Renard, Dance Orchestra.
Slow Fox-Trot—I Let A Song Go Out Of My Heart; Waltz—Cinderella Sweetheart... Oscar Rubin & His Romany Band with Vocal Chorus.
11 p.m.—Close down.

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♦ K 10 9 x x
♣ A J x

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Schenken Jacoby You Burnstone

1 ♠ 2 ♥ (?)

ANSWER: The correct bid is to pass. Your hand is too weak to make a "free" bid of three diamonds, especially as your partner is then forced to bid again. Remember, your partner will still have another chance to bid and will take appropriate action if he has a strong hand.

Score 100% for pass, 50% for 3 clubs, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 23

You are the dealer and Merwin Maier is your partner. You hold:

♦ A K 10 ♦
♥ A x x
♦ A x x
♣ K 10 x x

Neither side is vulnerable, and
the bidding goes:

You Jacoby Maier Burnstone

1 ♠ 2 ♠ Pass Pass

(?)

What bid do you make? (Answer Monday).

TO-DAY'S HAND

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ A 10 9 8 7 6 4	♥ 7 5 3	♦ 2	♣ 9 8
♦ 5	♥ 8 6	♥ 10 9 4	♦ 7 6 5
♦ 9 8 7	♦ 6 4 3	♦ 7 6 5	♦ 7 6 5
♣ 7 4 2	♦ 6 4 3	♦ 7 6 5	♦ 7 6 5
♦ 5	♦ 5	♦ 5	♦ 5
♦ 4	♦ 4	♦ 4	♦ 4
♦ 3	♦ 3	♦ 3	♦ 3
♦ 2	♦ 2	♦ 2	♦ 2
♦ 1	♦ 1	♦ 1	♦ 1

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

South's jump to six spades was a shade optimistic, for his partner's immediate jump to game merely showed strong distributional hand without many high cards. West opened the Ace of diamonds, then shifted to a trump. From this point on there was no defence against proper play by Declarer. South played his three top hearts and, since the suit was not evenly divided, his first chance had gone glimmering. Refusing to give up, Declarer now proceeded to run off dummy's entire trump suit. On the fifth and sixth trumps Declarer threw two clubs, and now came the last and crucial trump. East was now down to the King-Queen of clubs and the Jack of hearts and still had to make a discard. He naturally had to retain the high heart and so let go of the Queen of clubs. South now drew his losing heart and the Ace-Jack of clubs won the last two tricks.

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AT THE ALHAMBRA — "Border Law", with Buck Jones, Lupita Tovar, James Mason, Don Chapman, Frank Rice, F. R. Smith and Louis Hickox. The story deals with a ranger who turns thief in order to trap the outlaws and almost gets caught in his own trap.

AT THE STAR — "May Time", with Rita Johnson's memorable stage success brings to the screen the triumphant star of many hits, Jeanette MacDonald. Nelson Eddy, co-star with Miss MacDonald in the earlier hits,

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The tiffin interval will be after
the fifth race on the first four days
of the Meeting.

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By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary

Hong Kong, 15th February, 1939.

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18th February, 1939 at 6 p.m.

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March, 1939, from 3 p.m. to
6.30 p.m. and FRIDAY, the 10th
March, 1939, from 10 a.m. to
4 p.m.

ENTRIES WILL DEFINITELY
CLOSE at the Hon. Secretary's
office, Stock Exchange Building,
Ice House Street, at noon on
THURSDAY, the 2nd March, 1939,
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J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 8th February, 1939.

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Hong Kong, 9th February, 1939.

COMPANY MEETINGS

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of SHARE
HOLDERS will be HELD at the
HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong,
on THURSDAY, the 16th February,
1939, at 12 NOON for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the
Directors together with a Statement
of Accounts for the year ended
31st December, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
SATURDAY, 4th February to
THURSDAY, 16th February, both
days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 24th Jan., 1939.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
THAT THE FORTY-FIRST OR-
DINARY YEARLY MEETING OF
THIS COMPANY will be held at the
Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd. on FRIDAY,
the 24th February, 1939, at 11.30
a.m. for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ended 31st
December, 1938.

The Register of Shares of the
Company will be CLOSED from
FRIDAY, the 17th February, 1939,
to FRIDAY, the 24th February,
1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 30th January, 1939.

HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Shareholders in
this Corporation will be held at the
Head Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road, Central, Hong
Kong, on SATURDAY, the 25th
February, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for
the purpose of receiving the Report
of the Board of Directors together
with a Statement of Accounts for
the year ending 31st December,
1938.

The Register of Shares of the
Corporation will be closed from
MONDAY, the 18th February to
SATURDAY, the 25th February,
1939, (both days inclusive) during
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By Order of the Board of
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V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 6th February, 1939.

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SEVERE AIR RAIDS ON SIAN AND TSINGYUAN

Peiping, To-day.

Japanese planes, according to an official statement, raided Sianfu, capital of Shansi, dropping numerous bombs.

The attack on Sianfu was followed by bombardment of Tsingyuan, on the Yellow River, 100 kilometres north of Lanchow.

The Japanese authorities have now admitted that a large-scale air-battle between Chinese and Japanese planes took place during the aerial bombardment of the town of Lanchow on Sunday.

According to the Japanese, the Chinese air force at present has 200 machines, of which two squadrons are stationed at Lanchow. The Japanese version is that 38 Chinese planes were lost during the engagement, while the Japanese lost no planes!—Trans-Ocean.

WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that an anticyclone of considerable intensity covers the whole of China and the neighbouring seas. Pressure is highest to the north of the lower Yangtze Valley.

Local forecast:—N. E. winds, moderate to fresh; fair, cold.

Chung Kau, 49, was fined \$25 by Mr. R. Edwards this morning, for cruelty to fowls.

Defendant brought 26 fowls from Macao by the s.s. Sai On in a small basket, only fit to accommodate 10.

PALESTINE RLY. DISRUPTED

Jerusalem, To-day. That traffic between Palestine and Transjordan has been disrupted was announced by the Director of the Palestine Railway Administration last evening. In view of constant acts of sabotage, passenger traffic on the main line from Palestine to Egypt is restricted. The line from Lydda to Jerusalem has not yet been put into operation.—Trans-Ocean.

RAISED TO STATUS OF EMBASSY

Cairo, To-day. The Iranian Legation here was raised to the rank of an Embassy with due ceremony yesterday.

The ceremony took place when the new Iranian Ambassador presented his credentials. The Egyptian Legation in Teheran will soon be made an Embassy.—Trans-Ocean.

CAR STRIKES LAND MINE

Jerusalem, To-day. A motorcar, with a military patrol, struck a land-mine near Acre on Tuesday.

Two British soldiers were killed and a third wounded.

The oil pipe line was again holed by insurgent Arabs, who set fire to the oil pouring forth from the damaged pipe line.—Trans-Ocean.

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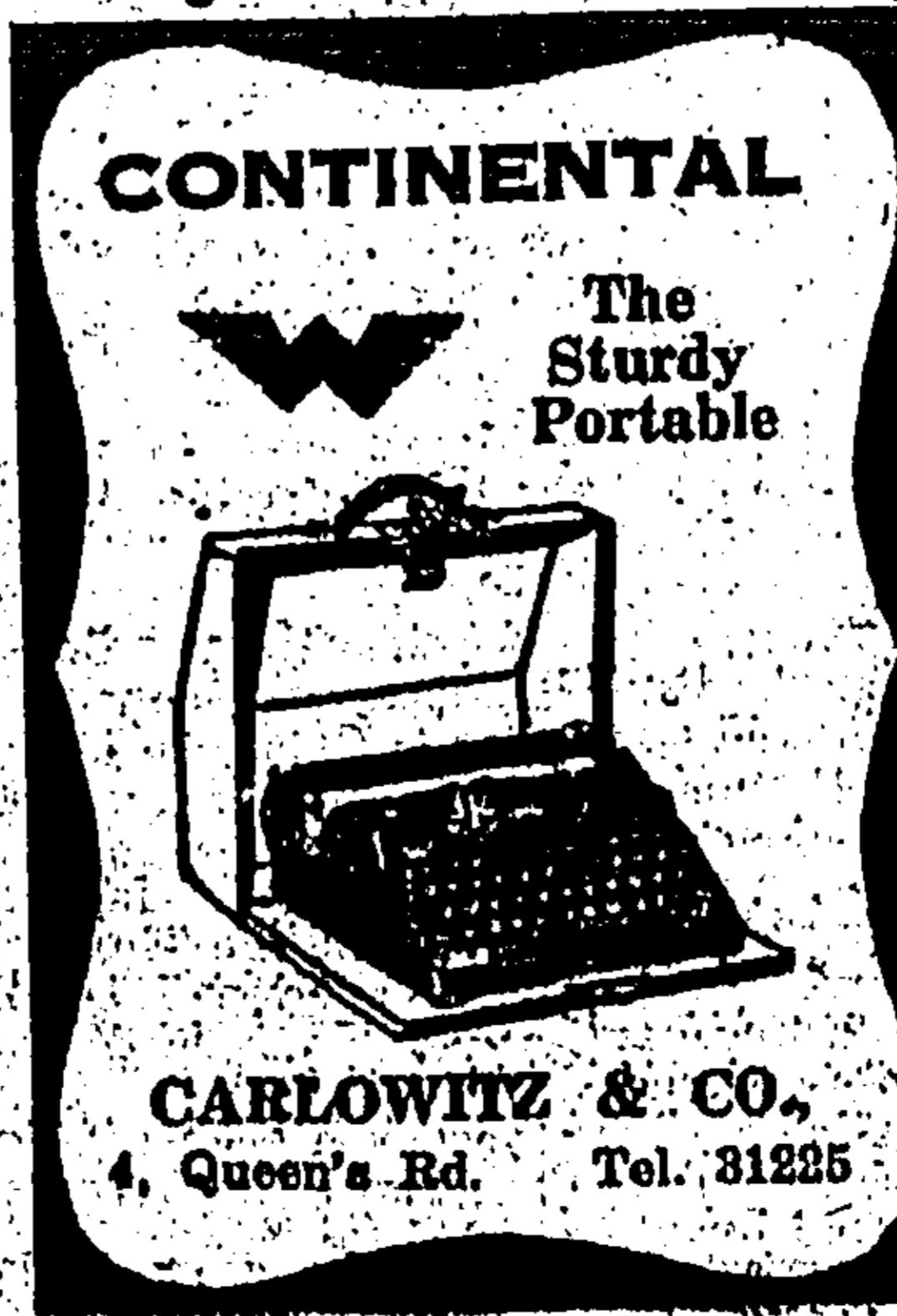
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